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New Board. Organized April 8th 1806

Returns from the Several Wards were read, by which it appeared that the following Gentlemen, were chosen Members of the Board of Health the Year ensuing — and they having been legally Notified to attend their Duty this Day, took their Seats accordingly —

Ward N°1 Robert Gardner — Ward N°2 Joseph Austin —
" N°3 Edw.d Staples — " N°4 Jn.o Odin —
" N°5 Eben.r Larkin — " N°6 And.w Dunlap —
" N°7 Benj.a Russell — " N°8 David W. Child —
" N°9 Daniel Tuttle — " N°10 Wm.m T. Hutchings —
" N°11 Jn.o Bellows — " N°12 Nath.l Meriam —

Benj.a Russell, Esq.r as President of the last Board in the Chair

The Votes for President were called for and Benjamin Russell, Esq.r was Unanemously chosen.

Voted To adjourn the Choice of Secretary till to Morrow 11 o Clock —

Adj.d till 11 o Clock To Morrow —

1806.
April 9th Met according to Adjournment — every Member present —

Benjamin Russell Esq.r in the Chair

The Votes for Secretary was called for and Mr. Nath.l Greenough was chosen

Boston ss I Nathaniel Greenough do solemly swear, that I will make a faithful record, of all the Votes, Proceedings and regulations, of the Board of Health, and will faithfully, discharge and perform all the duties of Secretary of said Board. So help me God.

Nath.l Greenough

Sworn before me
Benj.a Russell, President of the Board of Health —

April 9th 1806

The Board being thus Organized The President took the Chair and the following Votes passed viz —

That Mess.rs Dunlap, Larkin & Russell be a Committee to inquire into the complaint made at the Board, of the Existance of Small Pox in Ward No. 6. and to take precautions necessary for the safety of the town —

That Mess.rs Russell, Gardner & Larkin be a Committee to — to report Bye Laws — Who reported the following Regulations. which where accepted, and ordered to be published in the Independent Chronicle & Gazette as follows —

The following Votes, Rules and Regulations. were Passed and adopted; and are to take effect after Three days from their publication agreeably to a law of the Commonwealth, Passed in May 1799 entitled an Act to empower the Town of Boston to choose a Board of Health; and for removing and preventing Nuisances. —

As every inhabitant is interested in the preservation of health in the town, the Board cannot doubt their willingness to aid in so certain a mean, under Providence to effect it, as the promotion of cleanleness: To which Object most of the Regulations adopted are directed. ——

Art 1st

No person will be allowed to keep one or more Hogs, within the limits of the town, unless by License for that purpose first obtained of the Board of Health; and entering into bonds to keep such hogs clean, and in situations not to be offensive to the neighbourhood: and to remove all filth from and about the Sties, at least once in each week. In case of non compliance with these conditions, the licence will be forfeited, and the delinquent will be liable to a fine for the Nuisance thereby occasioned.

NB The inhabitants will please to Observe, they may, by the preceding article, — keep Hogs on certain conditions. ——

Art 2d

No person will be permitted to bring into, sell, or have in possession in the town, any Oysters. between the 21st Day of June, and the first Day of September in each Yea.

and no person will be permitted to bring into sell, or have in possession, any Lobsters, from the 25th July to the 10th September, in each year. Great complaints having been made against the permission granted to sell Lobsters in State-street, in warm weather; it is Ordered, that after the First day of May in each year, Lobsters shall be exhibited for sale at the several Bridges, Town Dock, and Ferry-ways, and at no other places: And the persons occupying those stands will be answerable for all filth thereby occasioned.

Art 3d

Fresh Fish, shall not be kept in any stall, fish box, or other House, with in the town, unless such stall, fish box, or other House be over the salt water. Provided however, That nothing in this article shall be construed to prevent the sale of wholesome fish, in the Streets, between the first day of November and the first day of May, inclusive, at all hours; and between the 2d day of May and the 31st of October, inclusive, before eight o Clock in in the morning; Provided, also, that fish brought into town for sale, shall have had the entrails taken out, and the blood cleanly washed off, and that the sellers of such fish be responsible for any nuisance made thereby. Provided further, That Salmon and small fish be considered as excepted from this Article.

Art 4th

Salmon, Eels, and small fish, may be sold in the Market or elsewhere; provided every seller of them keep a tight vessel for the reception of their Offals, and carry the same without the limits of the town daily: and shall in no other way make any filth by such fish or Offals.

Art 5th

Persons having stalls in Faneuil Hall, Market House, Market place, or Dock Square, shall daily, in the morning, wash and cleanse their respective stalls. — And from the first day of July to the first day of October, in each year, no heads, or offals of dead animals, nor vegetables of any kind, shall be suffered to remain over night, in either of the places; and between the 10th day of May, and 10th day of October, the platforms in the Market place shall be removed.

Art 6th

Feathers shall not be landed within the limits of the town from any place whatever, until they have been inspected by a Member of the Board of Health, or a person authorized by this Board, and permit therefor obtained from the Secretary. Nor shall Feather Beds, or any other Beds bedding or Cloathing be landed from any place where contagious disorder does or has recently prevailed. without a permit from the Secretary of this Board.

Art 7th

Owners of Livery, and other Stables, shall not have more then two cart loads of manure, at one time issuing from said Stable, from the first day of May, to the first day of November.

Art 8th

Graves for the interment of the dead shall be at least six feet deep and the proprietors of Churches, under which dead Bodies are or may be deposited, shall cause at least, three bushels of lime to be slacked under each of them, twice in each month, from the first day of June to the first day of October

Art 9th

No person shall throw any dead animal or vegetable substance, or the sweeping of Vessels holes into the docks, Mill-pond, bottom of the Common, or harbor, between the channel and the shore: or shall land the same on any wharf, so as to become offensive

Art 10th

Every owner of a Vault or Privy, the contents of which are found to be within two feet of the surface of the earth, will be liable to prosecution Without any further Notice. And no vault will be allowed to be emptied between the last day of May, and the first day of November without licence therefor from the Board of Health

Art 11

Waste water will not be suffered to run upon the surface of the streets, from any House, building or yard: but the same shall be led through drains into the common sewer, at the expence of the owner of the buildings

Art 12

The proprietors of the Mill-pond their agents, tenants or any other person, shall not at any time between the fifteenth day of June, and the first day of October, Draw of the water from said

bond, so as to cause the surface on the steadest part to be bare:
without a licence from the Board of Health.

Art 13th

No Person shall throw or bring into any street, lane, or ally within the town, any dirt, filth or sweepings of any kind or any animal or vegetable substance's; excepting on the days the Scavengers of Wards pass through with their Carts; and then only in Light Vessels; and before Nine O'Clock in the Morning. 3d 3 This article will be strictly enforced: and that the Object of it may not be defeated, the Inhabitants are requested to give notice to the Board of Health, of any neglect of the Scavengers therein, on the same day they are delinquent.

By order of the Board of Health
Signed Benjamin Russell President
Attest. Nath'l Greenough Secretary

Voted Messrs Child, Gardiner & Russell be a committee to consider the applications of Visiting-Physician & Messenger, and Report. ——

The Committee, on the subject of a complaint, of the existence two cases of Small-pox, at West Boston: reported that the Visiting Physician, by direction of the President; had removed the persons infected, to the Island. ——

Voted that the proceedings of the Visiting Physician be approved.

The Committee to whom were referred the subject of the appointment of a Visiting Physician, and a Messenger, reported that there were three applications for the appointment of Visiting Physician. viz Doct'r Thomas Welsh. D.r & S.l Medard. and Edel Coan and that there are no application for the place of Messenger, excepting that of Mr Phillips. —— The Board unanimously appointed William Phillips to be Messenger of the Board for the ensuing year. ——

The choice of Visiting Physician was post poned until the adjournment. —— Messrs Odin, Dunlap and Bellows were

Committee of Accounts —

appointed a Committee of Accounts for the ensuing year.

Treasurer

The President, was appointed Treasurer of the Board, for the ensuing year. ——

The Secretary, was directed to contract with the Printers of the Sentinel and Chronicle for Printing for the ensuing year. ——— Mr. Hutchings. Austin and Larkin. were appointed a Committee to report Rules and regulations for the government of the Board, and for the arrangement of the Members and to report at the adjournment. ———

The President. Mr Gardner. and Mr. Staples. were appointed a Committee to report, on the business necessary to be taken up at the next meeting. ———

It was Voted that it will be necessary for the town to raise Three Thousand dollars to defray the expenses which will be incurred by the Board the ensuing year; and that the President be requested to inform the town Auditors thereof.

Mr Gardner. Mr. Tuttle. and Mr Odin. was appointed a Committee to report on the Salaries, to be granted the Visiting Physician, Secretary, Messenger, and Island Keeper, the ensuing year. ———

Voted, That the future Meetings of this Board, be on Wednesday in each week. at 12. O Clock until otherwise ordered.

The Board was then divided into Weekly Committees, as follows. viz. ———

Committee N°1

Mr Gardner. of Ward N°1
Mr Dunlap of ditto " 6
Mr Tuttle of ditto " 9

Committee N°2

Mr Austin of Ward N°2
Mr Larkin of do: 5
Mr Hutchings of " 10

Committee N°3

Mr Staples from Ward N°3
Mr Russell from " " 7
Mr Bellows from " " 11

Committee N°4

Mr Odin of Ward N° 4
Mr Child of " " 8
Mr Meriam of " " 12

The President was empowered to contract with Mr Clark for the hire of the room in which the Board assemble, for the Year. ———

Adjourned to Wednesday next

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April 16th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj.a Russell, Esq.r President

Messrs. Gardner	Dunlap
Austin	Child
Staples	Tuttle
Odin	Hutchings
Larkin	Bullows
	Meriam

The records of the last meeting were read, by the Secretary.—

The Secretary reported, that agreeably to the direction of the Board, he had contracted with the Printers of the Centinel and Chronicle, to advertise for the Board, the ensuing year on the same terms as made the last year.—

The committee on the subject of Salaries having reported. The Board Voted, The Salary of the Visiting Physician be

Officers Salaries One Thousand dollars; The Salary of the Secretary for the ensuing Year, shall be Six Hundred dollars. That the Salary of the Messenger be Four Hundred dollars. The Salary of the Island keeper be Three Hundred and fifty dollars.—

The committee appointed to prepare and report Rules & Regulations for the government of the Board, the ensuing Year; reported, which being amended, was adopted as follows:—

Rules and Regulations for the government of the Board of Health the ensuing Year.

Art 1st

There shall be a stated Meeting of the Board, every Monday, to commence at 11. o'Clock, the 15th Instant, until the first week in October: and once a fortnight the remainder of the Year. Seven, members shall be necessary to form a Board.

Art 2d

In the absence of the President, a President pro tem. shall be appointed.—

Art 3d

The members shall take their seats at the Board, in numerical order; the Member of Ward №1. on the right hand; and the member of Ward №12. on the left hand of the President

Art 4th

In all debates, the Speaker shall address the President; and there shall not be any interruption of a Member speaking, except to call him to order

Art 5th

The Majority of Votes of the Members present shall be considered as the Act of the Board: But any member may enter his dissent to any measure, on the records of the Board. — And no vote shall be reconsidered by a less number than there were present, when the same was passed. —

Art 6th

No member of the Board shall withdraw himself without leave from the President. —

Art 7th

An inviolable secrecy shall be observed by the Members of, the Names of all persons entering complaints. —

Art 8th

Punctuality, as to the time of meeting of the Board, shall be strictly observed; and no person, other then the Officers of the Board, shall be admitted during its deliberations. —

Art 9th

The Board shall be divided into four Committees, of three each, to be styled the Weekly Committee of the Board of Health. the members of which shall sit daily, in rotation: and during their continuance in Office shall have power to carry into execution all the

Laws rules and Regulations of the Board: Shall make records of their proceedings for genrel inspection; and whenever they judge it necessary call special meetings of the Board. ——

Art. 10th

No Member shall be obliged to serve on more than two Committees excepting the Weekly Committee, unless all the Members are on that number. ——

The Committee on the Subject of the Business necessary to be taken up at this meeting reported: ——

First That it will be expedient to act upon the reports of the several Committees appointed at the last meeting of the Board.

Second To Consider the expediency of Advertising for Persons to give in Proposals for performing the Scavengers duty; and to procure places of deposit for the dirt. ——

Third To appoint Visiting Physician. —

Fourth To Consider the Quarantine concerns. ——

Messrs Gardner, Larkin and Merriam, were appointed a Committee to report on the Subject of the Scavengers Department. —

The Board proceeded to the choice of Visiting Physician for the ensuing Year; When Doct. Thomas Welsh was unanimously chosen. ——

Voted, that the President notify Doct Tho Welsh, of his appointment, as Visiting Physician of the Board. —

The President, Mr. Hutchings, and Mr. Staples. were appointed a Committee to report on Quarantine Regulations; ——

The Board was adjourned until Monday next 11 o Clock

June 21st 1806 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj" Russell Esq" President

Mess" Gardner, Austin, Staples, Odin, Larkin, Dunlap, Child, Trottle, Bellows, Merriam, Hutchings

The Committee on the Scavengers Department Report that the whole Number of Carts to be employed the present Season be Nine. — That they be employed in the different districts of the Town as follows. viz

2 in Wards N°1. 2. 3
3 " " N°4. 5. 6. 7
3 " " N°8. 9. 10. 11. 12

Under three different Contracts and Inspectors. — That the other Cart, be considered an Extra Cart, to be employed by the express Order of the Board only, to be maintained by them seperate from either of the contracts and to be employed, generally in some central situation, conveniently to be dispatched on sudden Occasions, for removal of Nuisances discovered or Complained of. That when the Extra Cart shall be employed for the removal of Nuisances left by neglect of either of the Contractors such Contractor shall pay the Expence thereof — which shall be assessed by the Weekly Committee, charged by the Secretary, and deducted from the next draft in his favour. That the Carts pass through each Ward in their different districts — every day, for the removal of the Most Offensive matter, and that each Contractor, find places of Deposit for the dirt they collect. — That the whole conduct of this business be as usual subject to the controul of the Board. —

Which report, after consideration was accepted: and Mr Merriam was appointed a Committee to contract for three new Carts, to repair the old Carts, and the Harness now on Hand. ——

Voted That the Secretary Publish in all the News Papers the following Advertisment ——

Health Office Boston April 21st 1806

Notice is hereby given, that proposals will be received at this Office, any time previous to Friday next, One o'Clock for Contracts to perform the duty of Scavengers for the Town of Boston, for the ensuing Year, in the following Districts of the Town, viz ——

District N°1. To include Wards N°1. 2 & 3. in which two Carts are to be used. ——

District N°2. To include Wards N°4. 5. 6. & 7. in which Three Carts are to be used; ——

District N°3. to include Wards N°8. 9. 10. 11. & 12. in which Three Carts are to be used; ——

The Contracts are to be separate, and each District to be under a different inspector. ——

The Board will furnish the Eight Carts, and the Harnesses now on hand. It is expected that the Carts pass through each Ward, in the different Districts every day, for the removal of the most offensive matter; and that each Contractor find a place of Deposit for the dirt collected. The whole business being subject at all times to the controul of the Board. ——

Proposals will also be received within the same time, for a Contract, to furnish and keep a Horse and Driver for one extra Cart, to be employed under the direction of the Board, on sudden Occasions; and for the removal of Nuisances discovered or complained of. ——

By Order of the Board of Health

N.B. Bonds will be required. —— Nath Greenough Secretary

A letter from Doct Tho^s Welsh, acquainting the Board of acceptance of the Appointment of Visiting Physician was read and Ordered to be filed. ——

A letter from E. E. T. Andrews, Presenting to the Board a Copy of a Pamphlet by Doct Rush, on the subject of contagious diseases, was read, and the thanks of the Board were Voted to Mr Andrews; and the Pamphlet referred to the Committee on Quarantine Regulation ——

The Committee on Quarantine Regulations Reported progress; and had leave to set again ——

Adjourned till Monday

April 28th 1806

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj^a Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Gardner, Austin, Odin, Larkin, Dunlap, Child, Tuttle, Hutchings, Bellows, Meriam

The Committee on Quarantine Regulations took up their business, and proceeded to Consider of the Regulations, but not having time to go thro the whole; It was Voted to postpone, the further Consideration of them, till the next Meeting. ——

Mr Meriam the Committee to Contract for the Carts &c Reported; that he had attended to the business assigned him, and that the Carts will be ready, by Monday Next.

Voted that the Committee of the Week be directed to contract with the Persons making Proposals as Scavengers; and and that they do not exceed three hundred and fifty dollars for each Cart ——

On Motion Voted, that Mess^rs Russell. Larkin and

Hutchings be a Committee to take into consideration the Case of One of the Servants of the Board, and prosecute the Offender if necessary.

Voted, that the President be requested to procure what Books and Stationery; be necessary for the Ensuing Year.

Adjourned till Monday 11 o'clock

May 15th 1806

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj.a Russell Esqr President

Mess.rs Staples	Snell
Odin	Hutchings
Larkin	Bellows
Dunlap	Meriam
Child	

The Board proceeded to take up the report of the Committee on Quarantine Regulations; which after being considered in sections, and amended, was Unanemously Accepted, and are as follows viz.

Art 1st

Of the Quarantine of Vessels

Sec. 1st Every vessel, which, on and after the 20th day of May ensuing, shall arrive within the harbor of Boston, from any of the West India Islands;- from any port or place within the tropics, and from any port or place where contagious sickness doth or shall have recently prevailed;- and all vessels on board of which, during any part of their homeward Passage, any Person shall have died, or been sick; shall be put on Quarantine near Rainsford Island under the inspection of the Visiting Physician of the Board; for such period of time as shall make up Twenty-Five Days from leaving such ports or places aforesaid; or from the time of having had any infection, or death on board. Provided however, if on the said homeward Passage of any vessel from such ports or

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Places aforesaid, or from the time any infection shall have been, or death occurred, on board. Twenty-five days shall have elapsed before the arrival of such vessel; then the quarantine shall continue only Twenty-Two Hours; which time shall be improved in purifying such vessel, and contents, under the direction of the Visiting Physician; or in his absence, of the Island Keeper

Sec 2 In extraordinary cases, the Weekly Committee may direct the Visiting Physician to prolong the Quarantine.

Sec 3rd Vessels having Small Pox only on board, may be discharged whenever the Visiting Physician shall certify that she is free of Infection.

Sec 4th The quarantine of a Vessel shall not be held to commence until she shall have anchored at her proper station on quarantine ground. And during the time any vessel shall be on quarantine all persons on board, as well passengers as others, shall be subject, in all respects, to those regulations, and such others as this board may think proper to adopt: and such as may be adopted by the Visiting Physician.

Sec 5th The Master of a Vessel shall be answerable for the appearance on board, at the time of the discharge of such vessel, of all persons who arrived in her; unless such persons have been previously discharged by order of this board.

Sec 6th When entering on quarantine, each Master of a vessel shall be furnished by the Visiting Physician with a copy of the Regulations adopted by this Board, for his information and direction.

Sec 7th Whenever a vessel shall have finished her quarantine, the Master shall receive a Certificate of discharge from the Visiting Physician, which (with the red flag) shall, within 24 hours, be delivered at the Health Office; where a Counter Certificate shall be given, to entitle the vessel to enter at the Custom House, for which a fee of Ten Dollars shall be paid

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Sec. 8th During the time a vessel shall be on quarantine, when an application is made to the Board of Health to permit the unloading, and conveyance to town, of any wine rum, Spirits, salt, sugar, molasses, mahogany, dye wood, manufactured tobacco, segarrs and other goods, and such other articles as shall be declared incapable of receiving or conveying infection, and when permission to unlade the same shall be obtained from the Custom House; it shall be lawful for the Visiting Physician to permit such articles to be unladen from any vessel on quarantine, and the same to be conveyed to town, by lighstermen duly licenced by this Board for the purpose. And the Visiting Physician shall grant a certificate thereof, to be deposited in the Health-office for which certificate a fee of twenty five cents shall be paid. And the Lighters to be employed in the transportation of such unlanded articles shall, when unemployed, be moored of the south east part of Rosia Island: and the Lightermen employed therein shall not be permitted to land in town; unless the Visiting Physician shall certify that no danger can arise therefrom.

Art. 2d

Examination of Vessels —

Sec. 1st The Master of every vessel, which on and after the Twentieth day of May ensuing, shall arrive from any port or place within the Streights of Gibraltar, shall cause and anchor such vessel on quarantine ground, for the Examination of the Visiting Physician; who is at liberty to direct such vessel to be continued on quarantine, until he shall have received the directions of the Weekly Committee on her case, or permit her to pass immediately, if it appear to him to be consistent with the public health so to do

Art. 3d

Vessels to Report —

Sec. 1st The Master of every vessel which shall arrive from any foreign port or place whatever during the time quarantine is shall be required, shall, previous to entry at the Custom-

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Vessels, make report at the Health-Office of the state of the crew, passengers and cargo; and of all such circumstances as may concern the public safety. — If found to be free from infection, a Certificate shall be granted. Twenty five Cents shall be paid; but if found infectious, shall be liable to be sent to Rainsford-Island on quarantine

Art. 4th.

Vessels from Out Ports.

Sec 1st Every vessel which shall arrive, and enter, at any out-port, from any ports or places mentioned in the first article of these regulations, and shall afterwards come to this port, shall be subject to quarantine, unless the Master shall produce a Certificate from some Board of Health or Selectmen of a town, that she has been at least twenty five days from such port or place; that during said time no person has died, or been sick on board; and that she has been thoroughly cleansed.

Art. 5th.

Sick Vessels

Sec. 1st Vessels from any port or place, having one or more sick persons on board, are, at all times, liable to quarantine, if, in the opinion of the Visiting Physician, such trial shall be necessary. —

Art. 6th

Duty of Visiting Physician

Sec 1st. It shall be the duty of the Visiting Physician of this Board to visit Rainsford-Island every day while quarantine is required; when there shall be any person sick there; or there shall be three vessels on quarantine: — He shall direct in what manner they are to be cleansed; — what articles shall be landed, washed, buried, or destroyed: He shall order the sick to be landed, if necessary: shall attend all the sick at said island, prescribe according to his best skill and judgment to their relief; and find all medicines. He shall be allowed to charge each sick person, for such attendance; provided his charge does not exceed three dollars for common cases, but he may increase his charge for extraordinary cases, to be determined such by the Committee of

the week: He shall direct the pilots where to anchor vessels and they are hereby required to obey his directions: — He shall deliver to the Master of each vessel arriving on quarantine a copy of the proceeding regulations: — He may establish rules and regulations for the preservation of good order on the Island; and to promote the designs of quarantine; such rules and regulations being under the control of the Board: He shall, from time to time report to the Weekly Committee the state of vessels on quarantine, and the sick at the Island: — He shall grant a certificate to each vessel he shall discharge, after they have duly performed quarantine: And generally, it shall be his duty, under the control of this Board to do and perform all things necessary to carry the Regulations of Quarantine into complete effect. ——

Art. 7th

Secretary's duty. — Sec. 1st The Secretary of this Board shall receive the Visiting Physician's Certificates of discharge; shall give a countersine to intitle such vessel to entry at the Custom House; shall receive the fees required for such Certificates: He shall make the necessary inquiries of all masters of vessels reporting at this office; shall note the same; — shall furnish necessaries for purifying vessels on quarantine; and shall receive and communicate to the Board or Weekly Committee, the reports received from the Island.

Art. 8th

The Island Keepers Duty — Sec. 1st The Island Keeper shall personally attend the purification of all vessels, cloathing, bedding, persons, &c at Quarantine, agreeably to the directions of the Visiting Physician: — He shall board and attend the sick, and hire nurses: He shall be allowed five dollars each week, for the board and nursing each sick person at the Island: to be collected as the fees of the Visiting Physician are by law collected or assumed: He shall board the boatmen: and he shall be subject to conform to all the directions of this Board, in all matters respecting quarantine concerns. ——

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Sec. 2d. In the absence of the Visiting Physician, the Island Keeper is charged with the police of the Island, agreeably to the rules and laws thereof.

Art. 9th.

Of the Boatmen

Sec. 1st. Two persons shall be employed to ply in the Island boat during the time quarantine is required.—They shall daily bring reports to the Health Office of the arrivals at the Island, and of all events which may have occurred there; They shall carry down supplies to vessels on quarantine, when delivered on board the Island boat. They are to consider themselves as assistants to the Island Keeper, and shall at all times, be under the controul of this Board.

Published by order of the Board

Benj. Russell President

Attest

Nath. Greenough Secretary

The President was requested to cause One Hundred and fifty Copies to be printed.—

Voted, that the Committee on Quarantine Regulations, be directed to report on such matters, which were connected with these Regulations last year, and which it has been deemed unnecessary to include therein this year.—

The Committee of the Week was directed to form an advertisement, on the subject of the Scavengers department, and to publish the same immediately, and to have a number of the same printed to be posted up, and distributed to the inhabitants for their information respecting the Scavengers Duties

They were requested to have the Vault, and cellar of Walter Russell in Cambridge Street, Closed, and to cause a prosecution to take place against him for the damages.—

The President informed the Board that he had received from the Board of Health, of the City of New-York a pamphlet containing documents of that Board on—

Voted that the same be referred to the Committee on Quarantine Regulations ——

The President was authorized to Draw on the Town Treasurer for Five Hundred dollars for the Scavengers department when necessary ——

Voted that the Board visit Rainsford Island on Next Wednesday Week, If fair weather: If not: on the Thursday following. And that the Secretary be authorized under direction of the President to make provision: and to invite the Superintendents of the Scavengers to accompany the Board ——

Adjourned till Monday 11. o Clock

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May 6th

Agreeable to the vote of the Board. The President this day, drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows viz

of John W. Tolson	$190.—
Jeremiah Bridge	190.—
Tho$ Badger	120.—
Making	$500 Dollars

The Secretary was directed to Contract with Mess^{rs} Gilbert & Dean Printers, for Twelve Hundred Notifications to post up and distribute to the inhabitants for their Information, respecting the Scavengers and dirt ——

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May 12th

At a Meeting of the Board of Health, this day

Present Ben^{a} Russell Esq^{r} President

Mess^{rs} Austin, Odin, Larkin, Dunlap } { Child, Tuttle, Bellows, Meriam

On motion voted that the Members from each Ward, take a proportionate part of the Notifications ordered to be printed, and cause the same to be distributed in their ward, and lay before the Committee of Accounts for allowance any expense incurred thereon ——

Voted That a Committee of conferance with the Select men be appointed on the subject of common Sewers. ——

Voted that the President Mr Larkin and Meriam be the Committee

The committee on the subject of Unfinished buildings, Made the following report which was accepted viz ——— It shall be the duty of the Secretary of this Board to receive all Monies paid therein, which he shall pay into the Hands of the Treasurer of the Board, and take his receipt therefor — He shall furnish such Necessaries as shall be directed by the Board ———

The Treasurer of this Board shall receive all Monies from the Secretary, Keep a just and regular Account thereof, Account for the same whenever called upon, and pay the same as by direction of the Board. ———

Pilot Commissioners and Board

The Boatmen, to be employed by this Board, shall be allowed Twenty dollars Per Month, during the time of Quarantine and shall be boarded at the Expence of the Board

The Island Keeper shall board and lodge the boatmen employed by this Board, for which he shall receive three dollars per Week ———

The Committee of the Week were instructed to view the pond at the Corner of Bacon, and Newstreet; and Jackson's Distill House and report thereon ———

Voted that a Draft on the Town Treasurer for Two Hundred dollars be made in favour of Thomas Spear Island Keeper

Adjourned to meet at Rainsford Island Thursday One o Clock

1806 May 15th

Agreeably to the vote of the Board the President, this day drew on the town Treasurer in favour of Thomas Spear Island Keeper on account of his Salary. Two Hundred dollars.

1806
May 11th This day the President directed the following Notification to be printed viz —

Health Office Boston May 11th 1806

Notice of Quarantine

Notice is hereby given, that the Board of Health of the town of Boston, has directed, the Quarantine of all Vessels, which on and after the 20th day of May current, shall arrive within the harbours of Boston from any of the West-India Islands; from any port or place within the tropics; and from any port or place where contagious sickness doth, or shall have recently prevailed: and of all vessels on board of which, during any part of their homeward voyage, any person shall have died, or been sick: Of which the Pilots of the port, and all others concerned, are required to take notice, and be governed accordingly.

By order of the Board

Attest Nath Greenwood Sec'y

Tem'y Russell President

15th The Board met this day as by Vote. The last Meeting to visit Rainsford Island; but on Account of the weather Voted to postpone going, till Saturday next

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17th The Board this day visited Rainsford Island and being formed: Tem'y Russell Esq President in the Chair

Present Mess'rs Austin, Odin, Larkin, Seattle, Bellows, Merriam.

Voted That the President be desired to inform the Collector of the Customs, and the Commanding Officer of Fort Independence, of the commencement of a Quarantine of Vessels the 20th instant; and request their assistance in carrying their regulations into Execution. Voted that the Secretary Notify the Visiting Physician and direct the Pilots, &

The same; and request them to govern themselves accordingly,

Voted, That the Island Keeper, under the direction of the President, have four Court Posts erected on the line of demarcation traced out this day by the Board; and cause a Red flag to be fixed to each post, during the time of Quarantine

Voted. That the President be requested to call on the Quarter Master General, and desire him to make such repairs on Rainsford Island, as in the Opinion of the Visiting Physician, may be necessary: And in case the Quarter Master General is not authorized to do it That the President make Application to the Legislature for a Resolve for the purpose; In failure of this, The President is requested to direct the Repairs to be made at the Expence of the Board

Adjourned till Monday Next

Agreeable to the foregoing Vote. The President notified the Collector of the Customs; and the Commanding Officer of Fort Independence, And agreeably to Order the Secretary Notified the Visiting Physician, Island Keeper. And Pilots. of the Commencing of the Quarantine of Vessels the 20th Instant

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The President, at the request of the Island Keeper procured One large Ensign 4 breadths stuff, and 12 feet fly: and 15 small flags, two breadth Stuff, and 6 feet fly; for the Isle of the Island, and Vessels at Quarantine, which were delivered Mr Rear the Island Keeper

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1806
Monday 14th No Meeting of the Board this Day there not Meeting a Quorum

1806

May 21st At a special Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj.a Russell, Esq.r President.

Messr.s Austin, Staples, Larkin, Dunlap | Tuttle, Hutchings, Bellows

She schooner Jane Capt Marchant from Barrocotta having been brought up yesterday by the Pilot through mistake: on the day of the Month, the Visiting Physician was directed by the President to go on board, and examine her in her then situation.— Having found all her men well; That she had not had Sickness on board; and had a clean bill of Health Certificates were granted her.— On motion of Mr Larkin The Board approved the proceedings of the President, in the premises.

Voted. Messr.s Staples. Dunlap & Merriam be a Committee to take into consideration the Application of Saunders & Cotam: to procure a place of Deposit for the Night Carts: and report on Monday Next.

Adjourned till Monday Next

May 26th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj.a Russell Esq.r President

Messr.s Austin, Staples, Larkin, Dunlap | Child, Tuttle, Bellows, Merriam

The proceedings of the Board of the two last days were Read

Wharf at the bottom of Everett Street ordered to be Lamathened

The Committee on the Subject of Night Carts Report 1st That it is Necessary the Board should procure a Place for Night Carts: the expense of which to be refunded by Masters

Saunders & Balcom. 2dly: That the Night Cart Wharf be lengthened thirty feet

3dly That a House for the Night Carts be erected on the East side of the Night Cart Wharf; to be twenty feet wide, and twenty five feet long. set on piles, with a plank floor, and made as light as possible. ——————

This report was accepted, and Messrs Tuttle and Bowen & Dunlap were appointed to make the necessary contracts and to superintend the execution of the work

Mess^rs Dunlap & Tuttle of the Committee on the Nuisance on Bacon Street and Jackson's Wharf reported that they have been removed ——————

Adj^d till 11. o'Clock Monday Next ——

1800
June 2

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Mr Ebenz^r Larkin President pro tem

Mess^rs Austin, Staples, Odin, Dunlap — Tuttle, Child, Hutchings, Bellows

Voted that the Communications made by the British Counsel, from the Board of Health of London be committed to the Committee on Quarantine Regulations ——————

The Committee on the Night Cart Wharf having asked Instructions of the Board it was

Voted that the Committee be fully authorized to compleat the Wharf & House in such a manner as in their Opinion may best answer the Intention of the Board ——————

The Report of the Visiting Physician made this day respecting the Schooner George & the late Capt Farlow,

The Master, who died on his Passage from Montserrat the 12th Inst. — Was taken up, and after being debated. It was, Voted that the Committee of the Week be requested to make inquiry, and if in their Opinion the Capt died not die, with a Contagious disorder. Once the Vessel from whence the Vessel came, was in a State of Health, as well as the present Crew: They be Authorized to allow her to come up to town. —

Adj^d 'till Monday Next.

June 9th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj^a Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Austin, Tuttle, Larkin, Hutchings, Burdap, Meriam

The proceedings of the Board the last meeting were read.

It was moved, that a Committee be raised, to make inquiry whether any persons from the Revenue Cutter, had gone on board Vessels on Quarantine; to Report a State of facts; and their Opinion thereon. The Treasurer, Capt Hutchings, & Mr Larkin were appointed the Committee.

It was Voted: That the Visiting Physician be directed, to Examine Vessels from the Cape de verd Islands the same as if from the Mediterranean, if loaded with salt only. If they have Hides on board, they shall be subject to the usual quarantine. —

Voted, that the Committee of Quarantine Regulations, be requested to report on the subject of Vessels brought in to this port, and destined to any of the Ports of Delivery in the district. —

1806
June 9th The Committee of the Week was directed to furnish the troops from Castle Island with Refreshment or a Compliment for their Service, in carrying the Regulations of the Board in to Execution

Adj'd to Monday Next

11th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj.a Russell Esq.r President

Messrs. Austin	Child
Odin	Tuttle
Larkin	Hutchings
Dunlap	Bellows
	Merriam

On motion, Voted, that the President of this Board inform the Collector of the Customs of the Regulations of this board respecting persons going onboard vessels on quarantine

The Committee appointed at the last Meeting to provide Refreshment for the United States troops, on a visit to the town; Reported, that they had attended the duty assigned them. That Capt Freeman, in behalf of the corps, Expressed his gratitude for the Attention of the board. And for the polite manner in which it was communicated.

The Number of Military refreshed were Three Officers four Sargents Six Musicians forty four Rank & File. The bill Amounted to Eighteen dollars

The representation from a Number of the inhabitants of Cambridge Street, Green Street &c complaining of inconveniences from the passages of Night Carts through those Streets was read, and Committed to Messrs. Merriam, Tuttle. Dunlap & Larkin

The Board adjourned until 4 O'Clock P. M.

at which time Mr Coombs the Pilot was summoned to attend

Four o Clock. P. M. The Board Meet persuant to adjournment,

The Board examined the Pilot, and Capt Freeman respecting the bringing up to town of the Ship Conveyance. It appeared the Sailed from Barcelona, and arrived at Madeira: where she Landed and Sold a great part of her cargo: Tarred fifteen days, and then Sailed for & arrived in Boston. The Pilot considering her as from Madeira Brought her up to town. The Board, after a long examination were of opinion, that the Conveyance Ought to be considered as arriving from Barcelona and touching at Madeira; And therefore that she be Ordered in to quarantine for the Examination of the Visiting Physician. And in consideration of her having a bill of health, that the examination be made at such place as the Visiting Physician shall prescribe, Not being within two Miles of the Old town of Boston. For. Noes 2.

On Motion, the President was requested to Notify the Pilot, that the Board had received frequent complaints of their conduct in bringing Vessels to town which ought to have been carried into Quarantine Ground for examination; and he, to Notify them, that the Board will not overlook any further deviations from the strict letter of their regulations.

Adj'd till Monday next

June 23 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Mr Ebenr Sorton President &c Town

Messrs Austin, Dunlap, Tuttle — Hutchings, Bellows, Meriam

There being No business before the Board they

Adj'd till Monday Next

June 30th At a Meeting of the Board of Health
this Day. Present Benj.a Russell Esqr President

Mr.s Gardner	Child
Odin	Tuttle
Larkin	Hutchings
Dunlap	Meriam

Voted that the Secretary be directed to inform the Church Wardens of the respective Churches under which bodies are buried, that a Regulation of the Board require that at least three bushels of Lime be slacked under each Church twice in each Month, from the first day of June to the first day of October: and to request their attention to the same

A Letter from Dr. Spooner on the subject of a Complaint of his Vault was read: and on Motion Voted that the Subject subside

The Committe on the application of a Number of inhabitants respecting Night Carts, Reported in favour of erecting a Wharf on the North side of Copps Hill: which Report was accepted and the Subject was recommitted to the Committee to procure a place of deposit at the Southend of the Town: and also to advertise for contracts to build the Wharfs;----

Wharf at the North side of Copps Hill for Night Carts &c

Voted a Grant of Five Hundred dollars, on the Town Treasurer, in favour of the Superintendents of the Scavengers department Mr.s Solsom, Bridge & Badger.

Voted a Grant of Three Hundred dollars in favour of Amasa Murdock for his bill of Carts &c

Adj.d till Monday Next

30th Agreeably to the Vote of the Board, the President this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows Viz.t of John. W. Solsom ---- $190.0-
Jeremiah Bridge ---- 190.0
Tho.s Badger ---- 120.0
Amasa Murdock 300.0
Making ---- $800

July 7th 1806

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj.a Russell Esq.r President

Messrs. Austin, Child
Staples, Prettle
Larkin, Hutchings
& Dunlap, Bellows
Herrans

Voted that any vessel arriving from any port or place beyond the Cape of Good Hope, on board which no person has died, or been sick, during her homeward passage; and no particular quarantine has been ordered on Vessels from the port she sailed from; may be brought to town as Vessels from any well port or place not within the tropics; any thing in the 1st Sect.n of the 1st Article of the Regulations of this Board to the contrary notwithstanding.

Voted that the above vote, be published

Ship Wallace

Voted, That the Secretary be directed to grant a Certificate for the entry of the Ship Wallace, whenever the Visiting Physician of this Board, shall have certified, that she is free of infection.

Voted, That the contracts for building a Wharf at the Northend, be referred to the Committee on the subject.

Voted that Mr Larkin of the Committee for the building of the Wharf, at west Boston, be excused from serving any further.

Voted that the Letter from Dr Wm Spooner be referred to the Committee of the Week.

Adjd. till Monday Next

1806
July 11th At a Board this day; and no Business, as a
2 Monday. Quorum could not be made. ——

July 21st At a Meeting of the Board of Health
this Day. Present. Mr Eben Larkin President P. T.

Messrs Austin
Staples
Odin
Dunlap
Child

Tuttle
Hutchings
Bellows
Meriam

A Letter from the Board of Health of
Marblehead, respecting George Macey, of that
town having been liberated from the Brig Lydia
of Simon Richmond of Plymouth, from Antwerp
who arrived in that Harbor the 13th Instant. and now
very sick at Marblehead; was read. on which it was
Voted to refer it to the Committe of the Week. —
On Motion Voted that the Board in a body View
the Town Dock, complained of — On Return
Voted that the Town Dock be cleared out, under the
Direction of the Committee, to be chosen for the purpose
Mr Larkin Child & Odin were chosen —
Voted that the President be authorized to Draw
on the Town Treasurer for Six Hundred and fifty
six dollars in favour of Mr Isaac Pushing, Humphrey
Clark. & William Whitteppe. — —

Adj.d to the Monday Next

1805

Agreeably to the Vote of the Board, the President this day, drew on the Town Treasurer, in favour as follows, viz.

Isaac Cushing	$506.00
for lengthening and Repairs of Wharf at Boston.	
for one Quarters Rent to Humph.y Clarke	50.00
for one Quarters Salary to Wm. Phillips	100.00
Making	$656.00

July 24th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Mr. Eben.r Larkin President &c.

Messrs. Austin	Tuttle
Staples	Hutchings
Odin	Merriam

Voted that the Board meet at Rowes Wharf, on the Island, August 13th and invite the following Gentlemen, viz His Excellency Governor Sullivan, The Selectmen Firewards, Overseers of the Poor, Physicians, Past Presidents of the Board, and Members who served the last year. Town Judge & Advocate, Sheriff and Marshall, Navy Agent, Commodore Preble, the Officers of Fort Independence, Collector of Revenue, John. Q. Adams & Josiah Quincy, Town Treasurer, Town Auditors, Attorney General, Quarter Master General, Rev.d Dr. Stillman, Rev.d Mr. Lowell, Rev.d Mr. Kirkland, Rev.d Mr. Eaton, Rev.d Dr. Eliot, Rev.d Mr. Murray, E. T. Andrews, the Presidents of the Marine Offices, and to Each Member two Tickets for their Friends

The President, Mr. Larkin, Mr. Odin, Mr. Merriam, & Mr. Tuttle, Was appointed a Committee to carry the above into effect

Adj.d to Monday Next

1806
August 4th

At a Meeting of the Board of Health
this day
Present Benj.a Russell Esq.r President

Messrs. Gardner	Tuttle
Odin	Hutchings
Larkin	Bellows
Dunlap	Meriam
Child	

On Motion Voted that the Visiting Physician and Island Keeper be desired to see what Articles of Grocery &c. are at the Island, and report to the Committee —

On motion, the above Vote was reconsidered, as Mr. Spear had brought up a list of all the Articles at the Island; and they not being sufficient to furnish the Island, It was Voted that the Committee of Correspondence be directed to procure what was wanting, and that the Messenger deliver them to the Island Keeper, and take his Receipt for the same —

It was Voted in consequence of the Communication of Mr. I. Cushing the Builder of the Wharf at the North part of the Town; That the whole business be referred to the Committee on that business. —

Voted That the President be authorized to draw on the Town Treasurer in favour of the Superintendents of the Scavengers, for five Hundred dollars —

Adj.d to Monday Next

Agreeably to the Vote of the Board, the President, this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows

viz John W. Folsom —	$190.0
Jeremiah Bridge —	190.0
Thos Badger —	120.0
Making —	$500.0

1806 August 11th

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj.a Russell Esq.r President

Messrs. Gardner
Austin
Odin
Larkin
Dunlap

Tuttle
Hutchings
Bellows
Meriam

The President Communicated to the Board an Invitation from the Gentlemen Selectmen, to accompany them on a Visitation to the Public Schools.

The Board Voted to accept the polite Invitation & desired the President to inform their Chairman of the same.

Voted that the Secretary be directed to call on Josiah Bradlee, Consignee of the Ship Eliza Capt. Daniel B. Hubey from the Isle of May; discharged from Quarantine, and sailed for Nantucket; for the fees of Office.

Col.o Joseph May, Clark, Dr. N. Noyes & J. Bradlee, waited on the Board to Request leave to make a Gutter above ground for the waste water complained of in Hanover Alley.

The Board after deliberateing on the subject,

Voted Unanimously, not to grant the request of the above Gentlemen, and Referred it to the Weekly Committee to see the drain properly done.

The Board at the Island

13th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day at Rainsford Island

Present Benj.a Russell Esq.r President

Messrs. Austin
Maples
Odin
Larkin
Dunlap

Child
Tuttle
Hutchings
Bellows
Meriam

1806 The request of the Owners & Capt Harding of the Schooner Hunter (made thro the Visiting Physician) That she might be Discharged from Quarantine this day; was taken up by the Board; On Motion it was Voted unanimously, that the Request be not granted ——

The Physician also reported, that the Mate Thos. West, of the Brig Harmony, Capt William Marshall; from Martinico; had been Sick all the Passage with the Diarrhea and of the Vineyard was put in a Pilot boat and landed; his family were there & his Wifes Father Doctor Harding being the Physician is said to be the Inducement.

The Board Voted that the Physician inform the Capt that they must have more satisfactory Evidence of his being free from any contagious Sickness, and that the Vessel be kept according to the Regulation in that case provided ——

Adj till Monday Next ——

August
Monday 18th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj Russell Esq President

Messrs Euston, Maples, Larkin } { Dunlap, Tuttle, Meriam

Mr Meriam was appointed on the committee of Accounts in the room of Mr Bellows absent on a journey

The Treasurer was directed to pay all accounts for supplies furnished for the late visit to Rainsford Island, which shall have passed the Committee of Accounts.

The Committee of arrangements reported, that the surplus provisions, and stillage of wine, at the late visit at Rainsford Island, had been sent to the Bellows House. ——

Adj till Monday Next ——

1806

Augst Monday 25th Several of the Members being out of town and there not Meeting a Quorum, there was no Board formed this day.

Sept 1st At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day, Present Benj Russell Esq President

Messrs Austin, Eaton, Larkin, Dunlap } { Child, Tuttle, Hutchings, Marriah

Voted That the President be authorized to draw on the Town Treasurer for five Hundred and ten dollars, in favour of Mr Isaac Rushing

Ed, to till Monday Sept

" The President this day agreeably to a Vote of the Board, drew on the Town Treasurer in favour of Mr Isaac Rushing, for Five Hundred and Ten dollars

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8th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day Present Benj Russell Esq President

Messrs Austin, Eaton, Larkin, Dunlap } { Tuttle, Hutchings, Bullock, Merriam

Voted That a Committee be appointed to consist of a Member from the Northern, Middle, and Southern departments, who shall have the intire control of the Night Carts, and whose duty it shall be to direct the drivers what route they shall take to the different Burials erected by this Board; and also in case of the Neglect or disobedience of the drivers, they

Committee for the Regulation of Night Carts

have the power to dismiss them and imploy others
in their room; and in general to have all other power
Necessary to Carry this Vote in to Compleat effect;
Untill the further Order of this Board ——
Messrs Austin, Dunlap & Merriam were chosen
the Committee for the above purpose ——

Voted That a Committee be appointed, who
shall be empowered to take into consideration
the Service done by the Extra Cart: and to discharge
the same, if in their opinion the same can be dispen-
sed with; the consent of the contractor being obtained.
Capt Hutchins Mr Tuttle & Mr Larkin. Chosen Committee

Adj'd till Monday Next

Sept 15 At a Meeting of the Board of Health
this day. Present Benj Russell Esq President

Messrs Colin, Larkin, Dunlap } { Child, Tuttle, Merriam

Voted That the President be authorized to draw
on the Town Treasurer for Five Hundred and One dollars
in favour of the Superintendents of the Scavengers ——

Voted that the President be requested to write
to the Selectmen & Physician of the Town of Falmouth
Respecting a Certificate given by them to Capt Wm Ellis
of the Schooner Nancy

Agreeably to the Vote of the Board, the President,
this day Drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows
viz of John W. Folsom for $320
Jeremiah Bridge " 96
Thos Badger " 85 Making in all $501

1806
Sept 22 At a Meeting of the Board of Health
this day, Present Benj.a Russell Esq.r President
Messrs Austin
Larkin
Dunlap
Child
Bellows
Merriam

Voted that Mr Amasa Murdock Petition be committed to the Committee on Accounts

Voted that the Board visit the Islands on Saturday the 4th Oct.r next

Adj.d to Monday next

Monday 29 There being no Business, there was no Meeting of the Board this day

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Oct.r 4th
The Board Visited the Islands

The Board of Health met this day agreeable to a Vote of 22 Sept.r last at Rainsford Island and being formed Benj.a Russell Esq.r President in the Chair

present Messrs Larkin
Dunlap
Tuttle
Bellows
Child
Merriam

The Doc.r Reported the State of Vessels & Island after some conversation thereon, they

Adj.d to meet at their Room in Boston on Monday next

Oct.r
Monday 6. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj.a Russell Esq.r President

Messrs Cain
Child
Tuttle
Hutchings
Bellows
Merriam

The Committee on Accounts to whom Amasa Murdocks petition was referred, Report, that on further Examination of his Accounts they find no reason to alter their

their Opinions & Reflections the same, that his Account was carefully examined by the Committee (with Mr Merriam who Contracted for the Carts) and the following Statement was submitted to the Board when his Account was passed —

Mr Murdocks Charge this year for 3 New Carts is $220.50

Mr Merriam agreed with Murdock to do his part of the work at the same Price as before, which the Committee find was at the rate of 53$ P Cart therefore 36 Carts at 538 each is } 159.00

difference between the Charge on former Carts & this year 61.50

that the Committee think it proper to allow him the advance charge made on the Blacksmith which they find to be more than last year 8¼.15

The Committee think it proper to allow the advance charge made by the Saddlers for their } 14.75
Work which they find to be more than last year

They further allow him for the painting the } 3.00
Carts, which is an extra charge

They further allow him three dollars 44 Cents } 3.44 35.34
on the Suggestn of the Board

Next over Charge 26.16

deducted from the foot of his bill which left the sum to be paid him 300 dollars for which he has received an Order on the town Treasurer

Abridgment of Quarantine Hours — Voted. In consideration of the General knowledge of health in foreign parts and places, and the advanced state of the season, (the Board of Health has Ordered) that the period of twenty two hours required for the purification of Vessels on quarantine, be abridged to twenty four hours: Provided, however that no Vessel shall receive the benefit of this abridgment of time, the homeward bound Voyage of which shall not have made up twenty five days; and on board which any person shall have died, or been sick of Malignant or contagious disease during such Voyage

The other regulations of quarantine are to remain in full force. The Secretary was directed to publish the above Order

Adj. till Monday next

1806
Sept^r 13^th At a Meeting of the Board of Health

the Hon^ble Daniel Bow Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Austen
Larkin
Child

Hutching
Bellows
Meriam

This Order was Published

Voted that until further direction of this Board Vessels from ports in the Mediterreneun Sea, be permitted to enter the inner harbor, as far as Aptowik Fort, Independence, for the examination of the Visiting Officers of this board

Voted that the Committee on Quarantine Regulations Consider, and report Next Monday; when it will be proper to take of the Quarantine

The following Persons accounts as Approved by the Committee were passed Viz

Mess^rs Fletcher & Lecain for Blanks Certificates and Binding	$12. 0. 0
Mr Charles Roe for Buying a Horse from the Pound	4. 0 —
Mess^rs Gilbert & Dean for Painting	25. 0. —
Mr Jon^a Holman for House room for board N^E to Chase a Member for the board &c	3. 0 —
	44. 0. 0
Voted a Draft in favour of Nath^l Greenough Secretary for One Quarters Salary	150. 0 —
And to William Phillips for one quarters Salary	100. 0 —
	$294. 0. 0

The President, was Authorised to draw on the Town Treasurer, for the Above sums in favour of the above persons

Adj^d till Monday Next 11. O Clock

Agreeably to the Vote of the Board the President, this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows viz

Mess^rs Fletcher & Lecain for	$12. 0. 0
Charles Roe	4. 0. 0
Gilbert & Dean	25. 0. 0
Jon^a Holman	3. 0. 0
Nath^l Greenough	150. 0. 0
William Phillips	100. 0. 0
Totaling	$294. 0. 0

1806
Oct 20th

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benja Rufsell Esq President

Messrs Staples, Lumbar, Edwin, Hutchings, Sarsin, Meriam

The committee of Quarantine having maturely considered on the subject ——— Report That in their Opinion, the Quarantine of Vessels, on board of which no person shall be sick at the time of their arrival, and on board of which no person shall in the opinion of the visiting Physician have died of any malignant or contagious disease during their homeward passage; may with safety cease and terminate on and after the Twenty fifth October instant: ——Excepting all Vessels which shall arrive from any port or place in the Island of Cuba; which Vessels shall be put on Quarantine at Rainsford Island, as usual, until the further order of the Board. ———

Voted to accept the above Report and that the Secretary notify the Several Pilots of this Order of the Board and that it will be required of them to make strict inquiry, that no Vessels be brought to town, on board which any person shall be Sick, or have died during their homeward passage; and that the Visiting Physician, and Island Keeper, be informed thereof, that they may govern themselves Accordingly ——— Adjourned

Whereupon the President directed the following Order to be published viz.

Health Office. Boston Oct 20th 1806

On the report of the Committee of Quarantine,

Ordered, That on and after the Twenty fifth of October current, the Quarantine do cease and determine of all Vessels, on board of which no person shall be Sick

at the time of their arrivals and on board of which no person shall have died of any malignant or contagious disease during their homeward voyage — Excepting Vessels which shall arrive from any Port or Place in the Island of Cuba, which last vessels shall be put on quarantine at Rainsford Island as usual until the further Order of this Board —

By the Board

D. Russell President

Attest

N. Freeman Clerk

October 27th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day Present Benj.n Russell Esq.r President

Messrs Curtis, Staples, Larkin } { Dunlap, Child, Tuttle, Meriam

Voted That Col.o Rob.t Gardner be requested to prosecute, Mr. Barnabas Wilson for one half the expence ($23.50) paid by the Treasurer for Digging and completeing one half of a Drain from said Wilson's Premises in Charles Street done by Order of the Board —

Voted That a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer for three quarters of the balance due the Superintendents of the Scavengers —

Voted That the President be authorised to draw on the Town Treasurer in favour of Mr. John W. Folsom Mr. Jeremiah Bridge & Mr. Tho.s Barker for two Hundred and forty Nine Dollars and 25 Cents to be devided —

Voted That a Committee be chosen to inspect the Carts to be used and see proper care taken of them —

Turn Over

1806
Oct. 24th Voted that Capt Staples be for the Northern
Mr Larkin for the Middle. & Mr Meriam for the Southern departments
Voted that the Board do Adjourn to this day
fortnight.

Agreeably to the Vote of the Board the President this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows viz

In favour of John W. Folsom	$333. 0. 0
In favour of Jeremiah Bridge	250. 50
In favour of Thomas Badger	165. 75
Making	$749. 25. 0

November 10th A. M. Meeting of the Board of Health.
This day, Present Benj.a Rusell Esq.r President.

Quarantin
Cea'ed

Messrs Austin, Odin, Larkin & Dunlap } Child, Tuttle, Hutchings & Meriam

The Committee on the Subject of the Carts, Reported.
That they find the Nine Carts belonging to the town, to be in as good order, as the nature of the wood and Iron will admit: That the Carts and Harness, are in a place of deposit; where they will be safely kept for fifteen dollars, until May.

An Answer to a Letter of 5th Inst. — an Order of Quarantine. Concerning — Sale

On Motion, Voted That the answer of the Commanding Officer of Fort Independence, be placed on the Records.
On motion Voted That the quarantine on healthy vessels from Havana, cease and determine after this day, and that the Secretary be directed to notify all concerned thereof.

On motion Voted, That the Secretary be directed to notify the Island Keeper, That the Boatmen employed by this Board, are discharged.

On motion voted, That Mess^rs Larkin, Russell, and Lunday be a committee to inquire, if any, and if any, what grant shall be made to the Visiting Physician

On motion, voted, That Mess^rs Russell, M^r Larkin and M^r Odin, be a committee to direct the furnishing and furnishing the Room appropriated for the Board.

On motion voted, That M^r Odin, —— be a committee to inquire if any, and if any, what compensation ought to be given to M^r Gammell for services rendered in the Market

Adjourned to this day fortnight

Fort Independence
November 4th 1806

Sir

a M^r Freeman's Letter

I have the honour to acknowledge your favour of the 3d instant, and the distinguished politeness of the Board of Health. Your information on the cessation, one instance excepted, of the quarantine shall command attention. It is a very flattering circumstance to this garrison, that where opportunities have been wanting to render ourselves useful, our desire to meet the wishes of your respectable body, has received all the reward it could possibly deserve.

With great respect I am
Sir, your very humble servant
Nath. Freeman

Nath Gravenough Esq^r
Secretary to the Board of Health

1806
Nov^r 24^e At a Meeting of the Board of Health,

Thursday

Present Benj^a Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Austin, Staples, Odin, Larkin, Dunlap | Child, Inslee, Hutchings, Bellows, Merriam

On Motion; Voted, To accept the Report of the Committee on the Carts made at the last meeting; And that the President be ——— authorized to settle with the Superintendents of the Scavengers, and give a Draft for their balances, and give up their bonds.

The Committee on the Subject of the Salary of the Visiting Physician, for the current year ask Leave to report,

That in their opinion, the vote of the Board of the Seventh of April 1806, ought to be reconsidered, and that the Board should Order, That the Salary for the current year be Thirteen Hundred dollars.

The foregoing not being accepted it was

Voted, That an addition of three Hundred and fifty dollars be made to the Salary of the Visiting Physician for the current year. Unanimously

On motion, Voted that the President be authorized to draw on the Town Treasurer In favour of Mr Humphrey Clark for the balance due him for Rent of the Old Office And in favour of Mr John Gammell for his service in the Market.

On motion Voted, That a Committee be raised to inquire what are the exemptions to which the members of the Board are entitled by the last clause of the first section for establishing this Board & it was Voted that the President be this Committee. Ordered, That the Office hours be from Ten to One o'clock

Adj^d to this day fortnight

1806
Nov^r 21^st Agreeably to the vote of the Board the President this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows viz

In favour of	John M. Holsom	$111. 0. 0
"	Jeremiah Bridge	83. 50. 0
	Thomas Badger	56. 25. 0
	Humphry Clark	72. 23. 0
	John Gammell	15. 0 "
	Making	$337. 98 "

Decem^r 8^th Quorum^m not attending, there was no Meeting of the Board this day. By Order of the President
Adj^d to this day fortnight

22^d At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benj^n Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Austin, Odin, Larkin } { Dunlap, Child, Merriam

On motion Voted, That the Committee of Accounts be directed to Examine the Books of the Secretary and Treasurer for the purpose of arranging the Accounts of this Board the present Year, for Publication

On motion Voted, That the Treasurer be directed to pay all small Accounts first by the Committee of Accounts.

Voted that the Regulations of the Board be so far dispensed with, as respects their Meetings, that a Meeting be called only when the President, or Weekly Committee direct, till further Order

Adj^d with out Day

1807
January 5th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj.a Russell Esq.r President

Messrs Austin	Child
Staples	Tuttle
Larkin	Hutchings
Dunlap	Bellows
	Merriam

On motion Voted that Messrs Merriam and Child be added to the Committee on Accounts. Dr Tom Dr Colin being unavoidably absent.

The Committee agreeably to the Order of the last meeting Proceeded to examine the Accounts of the President. and the books and Certificate of the Secretary; all of which they found to agree with the Accounts Stated, and right.

On motion Voted; that a draft on the Town Treasurer in favour of the Treasurer of this Board of five hundred dollars. to be accounted for by him. be made.

Voted that a Draft be made also in favour of the Secretary for three hundred dollars. and in favour of William Phillips Messenger for one hundred dollars.

On Motion Voted that a Committee be chosen to settle the Accounts of this Board with the Commonwealth. Voted that Messrs Russell. Child. and Larkin be this Committee.

On Motion Voted that Messrs Child & Merriam be added to the Standing Committee on Accounts to examin and arrange for Publication the Accounts of the Board for the year past with the Committee on Accounts where Instructed to Consider if any. and if any, what alteration be made in the Salarys of the Secretary & Messenger of the Board. Adjn

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1807
Jan.y 5th Agreeably to the Vote of the Board the President this day Drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows viz

In favour of the President of the Board	$500 "
In favour of the Secretary	300. "
In favour of the Messenger Wm. Phillips	100. "
Making	$900 "

1807
February 25th

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day.

Present Benj Russell Esq. President

Messrs Austin, Odin, Larkin, Dunlap, Child, Hutchings

A Board being formed the President communicated a letter from Capt Freeman

On motion, Voted, That the Weekly Committee be requested, to ascertain the name of the Commander of the Ship which passed the fort on the 22 inst about nine o'clock in the morning; and after having so ascertained the fact, that the President issue an order of notice to the said commander, in words following

To John N. Cushing
Commander of Ship Hesper

Sir

Complaint has been made to this Board, by the Commanding Officer of Fort Independence in words following:

"Fort Independence Feb 22d 1807

"By the last communication, with which I am honoured from the Board of Health, I am informed, that the quarantine has ceased, with the exception on such vessels as have had sickness or death on board during their homeward bound passage. A Ship past the fort about nine o'clock this morning, whose commander obstinately refused to answer the usual interrogations. A gun was fired at the vessel by order of the Officer of the day; but as the North-west wind put her completely in our power, I was unwilling to run the risk of punishing the innocent with the guilty, and prevented the discharge of several Pieces that were loaded. On the former occasion a more decisive would have been taken; but on this occasion, as you have the power I would request, that you not suffer the insult, offered to your board and the United States, to pass unnoticed

With great respect I am Sir

Your most Obed Servt
Sth Freeman Capt Comm

Benj Russell Esq
President to the Board of Health
Boston

You, [illegible] as the person thus complained of, are hereby required to appear before the Weekly Committee of this Board on Thursday the 25th February 1807 (to morrow) at 12 o'clock M. to show cause, if any you have, why a prosecution shold not be entered against you, for a breach of the Laws and Regulations of Quarantine

By Order of the Board
Benj. Russell President

Adjourned to Friday Noon

Attest Nath.l Greenough Secy

Feb.y 27th 1807. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj.n Russell Esq.r President

Mess.rs Austin, Tuttle
Larkin, Hutchings
Dunlap, Bellows. & Merriam

The Weekly Committee to whom was referd the Letter from Capt Freeman have attended that Service and ask Leave to report.

That Mr Jaspers the owner of the Ship Hesper who was on board the Ship when she passed the Fort, appeared before them (Capt Cushing being out of Town), and said that he was requested by Capt Cushing to say that neither he nor any other Person on board the Ship heard when they were hail'd from the Castle, the wind blowing fresh from North West that nothing would give him more trouble of mind than the Idea that he had wilfully Opposed any of the Rules & Regulations of this Board; that he is willing to give to the Board, and Capt Freeman, any Satisfaction which may be convinient with him as a Man and a Gentleman.

Your Committee therefore report, as their opinion, that (when Capt Cushing) arrives in Town he write a Letter to Capt Freeman as here stated by Mr Jaspers, and in that case the subject Matter be dismissed. all which is submitted

Joseph Austin
Eben Larkin
Wm H. Hutchings
Weekly Committee

On motion it was Voted that the Board accept the report of this Committee

On motion it was Voted that the President be requested to write Capt Freeman informing him, of the steps the Board had taken on his letter respecting the Ship which past the fort on the 22d inst

Ad'd to Next Monday Fortnight

The following is the Letter the President by request wrote Capt Freeman

Sir

Being much engaged at the State House, I did not receive your communication of the 22d instand, until the 24th Gave immediate directions to call the Board of Health together: A summons issued to Capt Cushing to appear before the Weekly Committee of the Board Yesterday; The Board assembled this day to receive, the report of the committee which was as follows (see the report on the back page)

This report has been accepted, and the President directed to transmit information thereof to you. This duty discharged with pleasure, as it gives me another opportunity to profess to you the acknowledgments of the Board, for your good offices in enforcing the regulations; and to assure you of their high respect I have the Honor to be

Your humble servant

Ben Rush

President of the Board of Health

Jeremiah Freeman Esq

Commanding Fort Independence

Capt Freeman's reply to the above

Fort Independence March 7th 1797

Sir

I return my thanks to the Board of Health for the attention which has been paid to my letter to you of the 22d. of February. Capt Cushing has publicly apologized to me for his omission

, in not answering the Joint interrogatories from this garrison
, we have explained to him my my full satisfaction on the subject.

The marked civility, which your respectable Board
, has, on every occasion, shown to this command, and the indulgence,
, with which you have viewed our desire to merit esteem have
, made indelible impressions; but while we offer our acknowledg-
, ments of your goodness, we cannot admit the idea, which you
, have imposed upon yourselves to give refreshment to the company
, from Fort Independence on each call of duty to town.

With real respect I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

Nath. Freeman

Benjamin Russell Esq.

President to the Board of Health

March 10th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj. Russell Esq. President

Messrs. Gustin, Dunlap, Hayden, Child, Colin, Tuttle, Larkin, Bellows & Merriam

On Motion Voted that a Committee be appointed to form a Notification to call Ward meetings of the Inhabitants, for the choice of Members for the Board of Health for the ensuing Year.

On Motion Voted that Mr. Larkin Mr. Bellows & Mr. Merriam be this committee

The Committee, to whom was referred the Consideration of of the Salary of the Secretary & Messenger, having attended to the same, beg leave to Report. That no additional grant be made to the Secretary or Messenger's Salary for the Year past

John Colin
John Bellows
Andrew Dunlap
David H. Child
Nath. Merriam

Committee

Ord. to Monday Next 12 O Clock.

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March 23. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj^a Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Austin, Sarkin, Child } { Dunlap, Tuttle, Hutchings and Meriam

On Motion, Voted, Accounts viz Stevenson's. Copland's. Joy's and Deverell's (Constables) for Delivering Notifications for Ward Meetings for Choice of Members of the Board for 1805 & 1806 be allowed by the committee on accounts, passed.

On Motion, Voted, that Mr^s Haggers Account presented this day for the use of his Room for Ward Meetings from March 1801 to 1805 be referred to the next Board

Voted, Unanimously, that the Board dine to-gether on Wednesday next at Mr^s Whitcombs, Convert Hall, at 2 o'clock, and that each member have liberty to Invite one friend; and the Secretary is directed to Inform by billet the absent members, of this vote.

On Motion, Voted, that the Visiting Physician; and Secretary be invited to dine with the Board

Adj^d to Monday Next

March 30th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day.

Present Benj^a Russell Esq^r President.

Mess^rs Austin, Staples, Odin } { Dunlap, Child, Meriam

The Committee of Accounts in Pursuance of the duty Assigned them, having Examined the Receipts and Expenditures of the Board of Health for the last Year, Ask leave to Report the following Statement.

Sworn and

1807

Dr. Quarantine Cr.

To Visiting Physicians Salary		$1350.00	By Vessells Quarantined Bills of Health & Vessells Examined		2283.50
" Island Keepers	Ditto	350.00			
" Boatmans Wages		220.00			
" Island Keeper Board of two boatmen		150.00			
" Dan'l Welsh for Rules Poor	$130.0		Cash Received of State Treasurer for State's Poor		286 24
" Island Keeper for Ditto	156.24	286.24			
" Necessary Articles for the use of Reinolers Island		90.71	Ballance Carried to the debt of General Account		409 80
" Dan'l Bartlett for Materials for cleansing Vessells		47.74			
" Refreshment Ordered for the Sold. of Fort Independence for their aid in Executing the Health Laws		18.00			
" Quarantine and Island Flags and Incidental Expences		97.98			
" Printing & Stationary		86.75			
" Expences Sundry Visits to the Island		282.12			
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Dr. General Account Cr.

To Ballance of Quarantine Account		$. 409.80	By Ballance of last Year in the Hands of the Treasurer		$. 18.16
" Scavengers Contracts Including three new Carts		3301.00			
" Secretary's Salary		600.00	Sundry drafts on the Town Treasurer		6196.68
" Messengers Ditto		400.00			
" Dan'l Welsh for Town Poor		10.00			
" Printing & Stationary		125.37			
" For Erecting Wharf near the head of Charles Street		510.00			
" For Lengthening and Repairing Wharf Bottom Leverett Street		511.80			
" Furniture for the New Health office					
" Fuel. maps and Incidental Expences		224.14			
" Rent of Old office to November		122.23			
		$6214.84			$6214.84

On Motion, Voted. to accept the report of the Committee on the Annual Statement of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Board.
On motion Voted. That the report of the Committee on the Annual

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures, be published with the following attestation.—

In Board of Health March 30 1807

Red, and unanimously accepted: and ordered to be published

By order of the Board

Attest N. Greenough Sec.y Benj.a Russell President

On motion Voted. That a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer in favour of the Treasurer of the Board for One Hundred and Thirty Eight dollars, & forty five cents, to be accounted for and in favour of Doct.r Tho.s Welsh for Ten dollars. and in favour of William Phillips Esq.r for One Hundred dollars

Adjourned till further Order

1807
March 30th Agreeably to the Vote of the Board the President this day Drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows viz

accounted for	In favour of the Treasurer of the Board to be	$ 138 45
	In favour of Doct.r Tho.s Welsh for	10 00
	In favour of William Phillips for Quarter Salary	100 00
		$ 248 45

New Board organized

Boston, Thursday, April 2, 1807

The Clerks of the several Wards, agreeably to law, having notified the President of the Board, for the time being, of the choice of the following gentlemen viz

In Ward	No.1. Capt.n Amos Binney.	Ward	No.2. Capt.n Jacob Rhoades
	3. Capt.n Edw.d Staples	"	4. Mr.r John Odin
	5. Eben.r Larkin Esq.r	"	6. Mr.r Nath.l Freeman
	7. Benj.a Russell Esq.r	"	8. Mr.r Robt.t Williams
	9 Mr.r Lemuel Tuttle	"	10 William Belcher Esq.r
	11 Mr.r John Bellows	"	12 Mr.r Nath.l Meriam

The same were severally notified to meet at the usual place of the Meeting of this Board, on Saturday the 4 Inst.t at 11. o clock

Saturday April 4th 1807

The Members returned from the several Wards, met, agreeably to notification, at 11 o'clock.

Benjamin Russell Esq.r as President for the time being, took the chair, and called for the votes for a President, for the ensuing year; which being collected were found to be twelve in number; of which

Benjamin Russell Esq had 11,

and was chosen.

Having declared his acceptance, the votes for a Secretary were called for, and found to twelve, of which Nathaniel Freeman had seven: and was chosen.

The President then administered to him the oath of Office, of which the following is a record:

I Nathaniel Freeman do swear to make a faithful record of all the votes, proceedings and regulations of the Board of Health, and faithfully to perform all the duties incumbent on me, as Secretary of the said board. So help me God

Sworn before me
Benj.n Russell
Chief Board of Health

Nath.l Freeman

It was then voted. That the Messenger be appointed by hand vote, Mr. William Phillips, being nominated, was unanimously accepted

The ballot was then taken for a Visiting Physician; when Doct.r Thomas Welsh, was unanimously chosen; and the Secretary was directed to notify him of his choice.

On motion, voted, That Messrs. Russell, Parkin and Belcher be a committee to report Regulations for preventing and removing Nuisances.

The following Rules and Orders for the government of the Board were adopted.

Art 1st

There shall be a stated meeting of the Board, every Monday, to commence at 11 o'clock, the 13th Inst. and the first week

in October and once a fortnight the remainder of the year. Seven members shall be necessary to form a Board.

Art 2d

In the absence of the President, a President protem shall be appointed

Art 3d

The members shall take their seats at the Board in numerical order. the member of Ward N°1 on the Right hand and the Member from N°2 on the left hand of the President.

Art 4

In all debates the speaker shall address the President, and there shall not be any interruption of a Member speaking, except to call him to order.

Art 5

The Majority of votes of the Members present shall be considered as the act of the Board: But any Member may enter his dissent to any measure, on the Records of the Board. And no Vote shall be reconsidered by a less number than there were present, when the same was passed.

Art 6

No Member of the Board shall withdraw himself without leave from the President.

Art 7

An inviolable secrecy shall be observed by the Members of the Names of all persons entering complaints.

Art 8

Punctuality as to the time of Meeting of the Board, shall be strictly observed; and no Person, other than the Officers of the Board, shall be admitted during its deliberations.

Art 9

The Board shall be divided into Committees of three Each, to be styled The Weekly Committee of the Board of Health. The members of which shall visit daily in rotation: and during their continuance in office shall have power to carry into Execution all the Laws, Rules, & Regulations of the Board: Shall make records of their proceedings for General instruction; and when ever they judge it Necessary call Special Meetings of the Board.

Art 10

Art 10

No Member shall be allowed to serve on more than two Committees excepting the Weekly Committee, unless all the Members are on that Number.

On motion, voted, That Mr Russell, Staples and Williams be a committee to report regulations for the Quarantine of Vessels.

Capt Binney, Mr Odin, and Mr Tuttle were appointed a Committee of Accounts for the ensuing year.

On Motion, Voted, That the President be Treasurer of the Board for the year ensuing.

On Motion, Voted, That the Secretary be authorized to contract with the Printers of the Centinel and Chronicle, to advertise for the Board the ensuing year: and to inform the other Printers of Newspapers, that the Board will allow only ten dollars per annum, for the publication of their advertisements, unless when there are special orders for the same.

Voted, That Mess Merriam, Rhoades and Freeman, be a Committee to report on the measures necessary to be adopted for the Sewerage department.

Noted, That the Board be divided in four Weekly Committees, agreeably to the 9th Article of the Rules and Orders of the Board, as follows —

Committee № 1	Committee № 2
Elnathan Binney of Ward № 1	Jacob Rhoades of Ward 2
Nath[l] Freeman of do № 6	Eben Larkin of do № 5
Daniel Tuttle of do № 9	William Belcher " № 10
Committee № 3	**Committee № 4**
Edw[d] Staples of Ward № 3	John Odin of Ward № 4
Benj[n] Russell of do № 7	Robert Williams of do 8
John Bellows of do № 11	Nath[l] Meriam of № 12

Noted, That it will be necessary for the Town to raise Five Thousand dollars, to defray the Expenses of the Board the present year, and that the Treasurer be requested to inform the Town auditors there of —

Voted, That Messrs Bellows, Williams and Binney be a Committee, to report Sum Clerks to be granted the Visiting Physician Secretary, Messenger, and Island Keeper, the ensuing year.

Voted that the future meetings of this Board be on Mondays at 11. o clock A. M.

Voted That when the Board adjourns, that they adjourn to next Monday week.

Voted, The several Committees be desired to report at the next meeting.

Adjourned to next Monday week

1807. April 13th. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day present, Benj Russell Esq. President.

Messrs Binney	Williams
Rhoades	Tuttle
Larkin	Belcher
Freeman	Meriam

The Committee on the Regulations for preventing Nuisances reported Progress, and had leave to set again.

Report of the Committee on Scavengers Department

The Committee, to whom was referred the Subject of the Scavengers Department, having attended that duty, ben leave to make the following as the ground of their Report viz.

That the Town be divided into two seperate districts as follows. Wards No. 1. 2. 3. 5 and 6. comprise one district denominated the "Northern District," and Wards No. 4. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. and 12. comprise the other District, denominated the "Southern District." Four Carts are to be employed in the Northern, and Five in the Southern District with a Contractor for each district, who shall severally superintend their distri-cts in person, and at all times be subject to the controul of the Board, and who shall severally give Bonds for the faithfull discharge of their duty. Their duty to

commence on the 4th day of May ensuing, Ending on the 4th day of November next, the Carts to pass through each Ward in their respective districts every day – (Sundays excepted) for the purpose of removing all filth; that each contractor provide suitable places of deposit for the filth they severally collect. ——

That the following advertisement be inserted in all the papers printed in Boston the present week ——

Health Office Boston April 13. 1807

Notice is hereby given that proposals will be received, at this Office any time previous to Monday next at 11 o Clock A.M. for contracts to superintend, and perform the duty of Scavengers, for the Town of Boston, the ensuing Year; for which purpose the Town has ben divided into two districts, as follows. "Northern District" Comprising Wards Nos 1. 2. 3. 5. and 6. in which Four Carts are to be employd "Southern District" comprising Wards Nos 4. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11 and 12. in which Five Carts are to be employed; the Contracts are to be entirely seperate and each Contractor to superintend his District in Person; the Board will furnish the Nine Carts and Harness now on hand, to be put in good order —— The contracters to furnish good Men, Horses, and tools such as the Board shall approve, likewise are to furnish suitable places of deposit for the filth they collects. The whole busines being at all times subject to the Controul of the Board. The Carts are to be employd Six Months commencing the Fourth day of May Ensuing ——

By the Board

B. Bonds will be required —— Wm Russell Presidt

On Motion Voted to accept the above Report ——

On Motion Voted that the same Committee who reported the above be a Committee to Contract for carrying the same into Execution, Under the direction of the Board

Voted that the same Committee be empowered to put the Carts & and Harness in good order;

The Committee on Salarys beg Leave to report process.

The Secretary, Reported that he gratuitously to Order, he had contracted with the Printers of the Centinel and Chronicle, to

advertise for the Board the ensuing Year, on the same terms as now agreed on the last year —

Voted That Joseph Saunders's Letter addressed to the Board, on the Subject of Night Carts, be referred to a Committee.

Voted, Mess^rs Tuttle. Cap^t Rhoades. and Cap^t Binney be a committee for this purpose —

Voted That Mess^rs Merriam, Larkin and Freeman be a Committee on Mr. Knapps Complaint of Nuisance).

Voted That the Secretary, Publish the following Advertisement viz

Health Office April 15 1807

The public are informed, that the Health office is now kept in Faneuil Hall. Office hours from 9 until 11 P.M. and from 3 until 5 in the afternoon.

By order of the Board

N. Greenough Sec'y

Adjourned to Monday next

April 20th 1807

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day Present, Benj^a Russell Esq^r, President

Mess^rs Binney	Freeman
Rhoades	Tuttle
Staples	Bellows
Odin	Merriam

The Committee on Regulations to prevent and Remove Nuisances reported: which Report being read It was voted that the same be taken up by Paragraphs —

Voted that the Articles as now read and amended be adopted. —

Voted that the Secretary be directed to take a Copy of, and cause the same to be Published in the Centinel and Chronicle, on Wednesday and Thursday next. —

They are as follows In Board of Health, Boston April 20 1807.

Ordered, that the following Regulations for preventing, and

1807 April 20th and removing Nuisances, have the force of Laws, from and after Monday the 27th day of April, current; and be published for general information.

Of House Dirt, &c.

Art. 1st It shall not be lawful for any person or persons, after the 1st day of May, on living to throw or bring into any street, square, lane, or alley; any dirt, filth, or sweepings of any kind, or any dead animal substance; but all such dirt, &c shall be deposited in tight vessels, and kept in situations as to be most convenient for the drivers of the Scavengers' carts to take away.—Nor shall it be lawful to cast any dead animals, vegetable substances, or sweepings of vessels holds, into any of the Docks, Mill pond, or any place round the town between the channel, and the shore;-nor to land the same, or any foul or infected ballast, on any wharf or landing place.

Of Hogs, Hog-Sties, &

Art. 2 It shall not be lawful for any person or persons to keep one or more Hogs, within the limits of the town, unless licensed therefor by this Board, and giving bond to keep such hog or hogs clean, and in situations which will not be offensive to the neighbourhood; and to remove all filth from and about the Sties, at least once in each week. Whenever either of these conditions are violated, the hog or hogs shall be immediately removed, and the delinquent prosecuted for the nuisance. Applications for licenses must be made at the Health Office. Faneuil Hall.—

Oysters, Lobsters, &c

Art. 3. From the 22d day of June, to the 1st day of September, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to bring into this town, sell, or have in possession, any Oysters:—Nor any Lobsters, from the 1st day of July, until the 1st day of September ensuing. And from the 1st day of June, to the 1st day of ~~September~~ July, Lobsters shall not be exhibited for sale in any part of the town, excepting on the several Bridges, Town Dock and Ferryways; and persons having barrows, or stands at those places, must be answerable for all filth occasioned by such Lobsters.

Of Fresh Fish.

Art. 4. From the 1st day of May until the 15th day of October, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to keep, or expose for sale, any Fresh Fish, after eight o'clock in the morning, excepting in covered Stalls, fish boxes, or other houses, situated over the salt water: — And all fresh fish exposed for sale in the streets, before eight o'clock in the morning, shall be kept clean, in covered carts, barrows, &c. And all fish brought into town for sale or otherwise, shall first have their entrails taken out, the blood washed off, and the fish made clean inside and outside; and the Possessors of such fish will be held responsible for any nuisance created thereby

Of Salmon, Eels, &c

Art 5. It shall be lawful to sell Salmon, Eels, and small fish, at all times, in any part of the town, provided the venders thereof keep such salmon, eels, and small fish, screened from the rays of the sun, and deposit the offals in tight vessels, and carry the same without the limits of the town daily: — But they will be held responsible for all nuisance created by such fish or offals. —

Of Market Stalls.

Art 6 It is required of all persons using stalls in Faneuil Hall, Market House, the Market Place, and Dock Square, that they daily, in the morning, from the 1st day of June, until the first day of November, wash and cleanse their respective stalls. And no meats shall be exposed for sale, from the fifteenth day of May until the first day of November unless in covered stalls, carts, &c — That during the above mentioned time, they do not suffer any heads, feet or offals of dead animals, or vegetables of any kind to remain in or about their stalls, over night; and that they remove the platforms of their respective stalls in the Market Place, on the Tenth day of May, and keep them removed until the Tenth day of October, ensuing.

Of Feathers.

Art 7. From the first day of May, until the first day of November, it shall not be lawful to land Feathers, old or new, with-in the limits of the town until the same shall have been inspected by a Member of this Board, or an inspector duly authorized thereby, and a permit to land them, obtained. —

1804
April 28th

Nor shall it be lawful, at any time, to land any feather or other beds, bedding, or clothing, from any place where any contagious disorder doth or hath recently prevailed, without a permit from this Board.

Of Livery Stables, &c.

Art. 8. From the first day of May, to the first day of Novem^r the owners of Livery and other Stables, are forbidden to permit more than two cart loads of manure to accumulate at any one time in or near said stables.

Of Graves, Cemeteries, &c

Art 9 It is required that all Graves for the interment of the dead be six feet deep; and the proprietors of churches, under which dead bodies are deposited, are required to cause, at least three bushels of of lime to be slacked in the cemeteries of each church, twice in each month, during the months of July, August, and September

Of Vaults, Privies, &c

Art. 10. The owners of Vaults, or Privies, and the occupiers of the house or houses, to which they belong, shall not permit the contents thereof, to rise to within two feet of the surface of the earth; and when so found, such owner or occupier will be liable to prosecution, without any previous notice; — and it shall not be lawful for any person to empty, or cause to be emptied, any vault, between the last day of May, and the first day of November, without licence therefor from this Board.

Waste Water.

Art 11. It is required of the owners of houses, buildings, and yards, that they cause all the waste water made therein to be conveyed through drains under ground, to common sewers, or to reservoirs sunk under ground, to receive the same.

Of the Mill Pond

Art. 12. It shall not be lawful for any person or persons, to draw off, or cause to be drawn off, the water in the Mill Pond, so as that the surface of any part of the bottom thereof may become bare, between the fifteenth of June, and the first day of October, unless by licence of this Board.

And the above Regulations are deemed, by the Board of Health to be essential to the preservation of the health of the town,

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April 26th it is their determination rigidly to prosecute all violations thereof:—
And they request of their Constituents to cause these Regulations
to be read to their domesticks: and to assist the Board in enforc-
-ing the due execution of them.—Complaints of any breaches
thereof, or any neglect, or inattention in any persons employ-
-ed or licenced by the Board, are solicited;— and those who com-
plain, may rely on inviolable secrecy.

By Order of the Board

Benjamin Pinkell, President

A Copy of Record

N. Freemouth Secretary

The committee on the Scavengers Department Reported, that
there were Three Applications for the Scavengers Departments
viz Col. Thos Badger, Mr Jeremiah Bridge, & Mr John W. Folsom.
On Motion, Voted, that the Board choose by ballot a Scavenger
for the Northern District The Votes being collected and counted, it
was declared that Thomas Badger was chosen.—
The Votes were then taken for a Scavenger for the Southern District
and Jeremiah Bridge, was declared chosen.
Voted, that the Commitee on the Scavengers Department be author
-ized to contract with Messrs Badger and Bridge in a Sum not exceed
-ing Three Hundred and fifty dollars for each each.—
Voted that a Committee be chosen to appoint a person to see the
Regulations respecting the Stalls, Meat, Fish &c in the Market,
put in force.—
Voted that Mr Larkin, Mr Odin and Mr Bellows be this Commit
-tee.—
Voted that a Committee be appointed to Consult with the
town advocate respecting Nuisances.
Voted that the President be this Committee.—
Voted that the Committee on Quarantine be directed to report
if a New Commission for the Visiting Physician is Necessary.
and if so, to Report the form of such a one as in their Opinion is
proper.—
Voted that the Report of the Committee on Salarys be referred to
the next meeting.—
The Committee on Joseph Sanders letter reported Progress.—

Voted that when this Board adjourn that they adjourn to next Monday.

The Board is accordingly adjourned to

Monday next 11 o'clock

April 27th 1807

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj.n Russell Esq.r President.

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Larkin — Freeman, Williams, Tuttle and Meriam

The committee on the Scavengers Department beg leave to report, that agreeably to the direction of the Board, they have Contracted with Col.o Thomas Badger for the Northern and Jeremiah Bridge for the Southern District, at Three Hundred and fifty dollars for Each Cart, And that the Carts & Harness will be in readiness by the 4th day of May ensuing ——

Voted to accept the above report. ——

The President delivered a Communication from the Selectmen which is, that they consider the Market place by Law as being under the jurisdiction of the Board of Health, they therefore refer the same to the Board; to regulate as they please

On Motion, Voted, that the subject matter of the above Communication be referred to the Committee on the Scavengers department. ——

The Committee on quarantine Regulations agreeably to vote of last meeting Reported the following Commission as in their Opinion proper for the Visiting Physician viz ——

By the Board of Health

To Thomas Welsh A.M.

By virtue of the Authority reposed in the Board of Health of the town of Boston, by Law, you have been appointed Visiting Physician of said Board, for said town; and are hereby commissioned accordingly: — And all Masters and commanders of vessels, Pilots, and all other

Persons concerned, are hereby required to assist and obey you as Visiting Physician accordingly.

Given under my hand, and the official Seal of the Board, this twenty seventh day of April, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and seven.

Attest
Nath[l] Guernsey Secretary

Mun[o] Russell President

Voted, That the Committee on Quarantine be requested to report at the next Meeting

Voted That the Visiting Physician be directed to make inquiries respecting the state of Health, of the West India Islands, and all ports or places, which have at times been subject to contagious or malignant diseases; and report to the committee on Quarantine; on or before Thursday next. ——

Voted, that Capt Binney be added to the committee on quarantine Capt Staples being absent on a journey

Voted that all unfinished business be referred to the next meeting ——

Adjourned to Monday next 11 o'clock

1807 May 4th

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day.

Present Mun[o] Russell Esq[r] President ——

Mess[rs] Binney, Rhoads, Larkin — Freeman, Williams, Tuttle & Merriam ——

The Committee on the Scavengers Department, to whom was referred the subject, respecting the order necessary to be taken relative to the Market, Beg leave to Report, ——

1st That the Clerk of the Market be furnished with a Copy of the Health Regulations, relating to the Market and be directed to give immediate information to the Board of any Violations of the same. ——

2nd That on and after the 11th Instant, the Scavenger of the

Southern District, be directed to keep every afternoon Employ'd, in the Market place, a Sufficient Number of Carts for Clens-ing the same, ——

3d That each Scavenger during the first week of their Contracts constantly keep Tall the Carts employ'd in Clensing the Streets, Lanes, alleys, and Market place; That after that time the Carts to Commence their regular Tours of duty. at the commencement of which each Superintendent shall call at every Dwell-ing House in their respective Districts, and give particular directions, how the filth from the Houses shall be disposed off, at the same time, shall examine the Yards, and take Measures for clensing those that are filthy.

all which is respectfully submitted ——

Voted to accept the above Report ——

The Committee on Quarantine informed the Board they were ready to Report ——

On Motion Voted that the Report be read ——,

Voted that the Report of the Committee be recommitted and that the Committee cause twelve Copys of the same to be printed for the use of the Members of the Board previous to Monday next ——

Night Work Clensing

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of regulating the Night Work of the Town Report.

That from the delicate nature of the subject they find it difficult to form any specific regulations,

That the most Eligible method of disposing of this business which has occured to them is, that Messrs Saunders & Oakham two of the Appliccants for this work be licenced by the Board to do all Jobs Specially Ordered by the Board in Company they dividing the profits of such Jobs equally between them. and that they be authorised as also Mr John Williams another applicant to do any Job individually when application is made to either of them in the first instance. The owner of the Premises where the Job is to be done; having first obtained a licence therefor agreable to the 10th Article of the Health Regulations. and that they in no case be allowed to charge the Citizens. who may employ them, more than Twelve and a half Cents pr Square foot. for the Contents

of any Vault lately removed. The said Saunders, Cobham, and Williams to be responsible for any nuisance created by them by the mismanagement of any Vault. And that they be directed to advertise for the information of the Citizens of the Town, that they have obtained such licence from the Board.

Voted to accept the above Report.

Voted That the Committee on the Scavengers Department be authorized to make such Repairs, on the Wharves made use of for Night Soil; (belonging to the Town) as they think necessary.

M^r Newman The application of M^r Henry Newman, on the subject of Rent for the Land on which the Wharf at the North part of the Town built by the Board, was committed to M^r Meriam & M^r Sutton with instructions to make further agreement if necessary.

Voted That all unfinished Business be referred to the next meeting

Adjourned to Monday Next

1807 May 11th

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj^a Russell Esq^r President.

M^r Binney	Freeman
Rhoades	Williams
Odin	Bellows
Larkin	Meriam

On Motion Voted to accept the Report of the Committee on Quarantine regulations, as a mended and corrected under the Inspection of the Committee who are desired to publish the same for General information

Quarantine Regulations For 1807

Art. 1st Quarantine of Vessels

Sec. 1st On and after the 25th day of May current, a Quarantine shall be had of all vessels, their officers, crews, Passengers and cargoes, which shall come within the harbour of Boston, from any of the West India Islands, from any port or place within the tropics, and from any port or place where contagious sickness doth, or hath recently prevailed: Of all

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Vessels on board of which any person shall have died of any disease, or been sick during their homeward passages; and of all vessels which in their homeward passages shall have touched at any port or place within the tropics.

Sec. 2. Vessels coming from ports or places beyond the Cape of Good Hope, though within the tropics where no contagious or malignant diseases were known to be prevalent previous to their departure; and vessels from the Cape de Verd islands, laden Wholly with Salt, are exempted from Quarantine until the further order of this Board.

Sec. 3d. The Quarantine above directed, shall be had near Rainsford Island, under the direction of the Visiting Physician, and other officers of this Board; and shall continue on all vessels which have had Twenty two, or less number of days passage, until they shall have made up Twenty five days from the day they left their last ports; and on all vessels which have had Twenty-three, or more days passage, then in addition to such passage, the Quarantine shall continue Seventy two hours:- And no vessel shall be considered as having commenced Quarantine, until she shall have been anchored in her proper station on Quarantine ground, as directed by the Visiting Physician, or other officers of this Board.

Sec. 4. The Masters, officers, crews and passengers of all vessels, when on Quarantine, shall be subject to all the Regulations of this Board, and such others, as may be adopted by the Visiting Physician;— and the Master of each vessel shall be accountable for the appearance on board such vessel, at the time she be discharged from Quarantine, of all and every person who arrived in her, or who may have been landed from her in any port of the United States, or such on board any other vessel, during her homeward passage.

Sec. 5. In extraordinary cases the Weekly Committee are authorized to direct the above periods of Quarantine to be prolonged.

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Sec 6th Vessels not otherwise subject to Quarantine, having only Small Pox on board, may be discharged whenever the Visiting Physician shall consider them free of infection. —

Sec 7th. Masters of vessels, on being discharged from Quarantine, shall deliver the certificates and flags they receive from the Visiting Physician, at the Health office Faneuil Hall, within 24 hours after having been discharged; and on receiving a Counter-Certificate from the Secretary of this Board, to entitle such vessels to entery at the Custom House, shall pay ten dollars.

Sec. 8th. When vessels have been quarantined, attended and certified by the Visiting Physician, and shall sail from Quarantine for another port, the Master shall previous to sailing pay ten dollars

Sec. 9th. During the time a Vessel shall be on Quarantine, on application made to this Board to permit the unlading and conveyance to town of any wine, rum, Spirits, salt, sugar molasses, mahogany, dye-woods, manufactured tobacco, fruit and other fruits, and such other articles as shall be declard incapable of receiving or conveying infection, and when permission to unlade the same shall have been obtained from the Custom House; it shall be lawful for the Weekly Committee to authorize the Visiting Physician of this Board to permit such articles to be unladen from any vessel on Quarantine, and the same to be conveyed to town by Lighter-men duly licenced by this Board, for the purpose. — And the Visiting Physician shall grant a certificate thereof, to be deposited in the Health Office, for which twenty five cents shall be paid. — And the Lighters to be imployed in the transportation of such uninfected articles, shall when unemployed, be moored of the South east part of Rainsford Island; and the Lightermen imployed therein shall not be permitted to land in town, without the permission of the Visiting Physician.

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Art. 2. Mediterranean Vessels

Sec. 1st. The Masters of all vessels which on and after the 25th day of May current, until the further order of this Board shall arrive from any port or place within the Streights of Gibraltar, shall carry and anchor such vessels on Quarantine ground; where they shall be examined by the Visiting Physician, who shall direct such vessels to be continued on quarantine until he shall have received the directions of the Weekly Committee theron; or permit them to pass immediately if it appear to him that the Public health will not be injured thereby; and on his giving a certificate of the same, Five Dollars shall be paid.

Art. 3d. Vessels to be Reported

Sec. 1. The Masters of all vessels which on and after the 25th day of May current, shall arrive from any port or place not subject to Quarantine, shall, previous to entry at the Custom House, make report at the Health Office in Fanuiel Hall, of the state and condition of their crews, passengers and cargoes, and of all other circumstances which may concern the public safety. If found to be from a port free of contagious disease, the Master of each vessel shall receive a certificate to permit the entry of such vessel, at the Custom House for which 25 Cents shall be paid: If otherwise, the vessel crew and passengers shall be sent to Rainsford Island on Quarantine.

Art 4th Vessels from Out Ports.

Sec. 1st. All vessels which shall arive, and enter at any out port from any of the ports or places mentioned in the first article of these regulations, and shall afterwards come to this port, shall be subject to Quarantine, unless the Masters produce correct certificates from some Board of Health, or Selectmen of a Town, that such vessels have been at least twenty five days from such ports or places, that during that time no person has died or been sick on board; that they have been duly examin-

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are thoroughly purified, or cleansed.

Art 5. Infected Vessels

Sec 1st All vessels, from any port or place whatever, having one or more sick persons on board, shall, at all seasons of the year, be liable to quarantine, if, in the opinion of the Visiting Physician, such trial shall be necessary.

Art 6.

The Duty and Power of the Visiting Physician

Sec 1st It shall be the duty of the Visiting Physician of this Board to visit Rainsford Island every day while quarantine is required: He shall direct in what manner Vessels are to be cleansed; what articles shall be landed, washed, buried, or destroyed: — He shall order the sick to be landed, if necessary; shall attend all sick at said island, prescribe according to his best skill and judgment to their relief; and find all Medicine: — He shall be allowed to charge each sick person, for such attendance, provided his charge does not exceed three dollars for common cases; but he may increase the charge for extraordinary cases to be determined by the Weekly Committee. He shall direct the pilots where to anchor vessels; and they are hereby required to obey his direction; — He shall deliver to the masters of each vessel arriving on quarantine a copy of the Quarantine Regulations of this Board. He may establish rules and regulations for the preservation of good order on the Island; and to promote the designs of Quarantine; such rules and regulations being under the control of the Board: He shall grant a certificate of discharge to each Vessel having duly performed Quarantine: — And generally, it shall be his duty, to do and perform all things necessary to carry the Regulations of Quarantine into complete effect. —

He shall from time to time report to the Weekly Committee the State of vessels on Quarantine and the sick at the islands

Art 7 The Secretary's Quarantine duty

Sec 1. The Secretary of this Board shall receive the

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Visiting Physician's certificates of discharge; shall give Counter Certificates, to entitle vessels to entry at the Custom House; shall receive the fees required for such Certificates: He shall make the necessary inquiries of all Masters of vessels reporting at this Office; shall note the same; shall furnish necessaries for purifying vessels on Quarantine; and shall receive and communicate to the Board, or Weekly Committee, the reports received from the Island. —

Art. 8th The Island Keeper's duty

Sec. 1. The Island Keeper shall personally attend the purification of all vessels, cloathing, bedding, persons, &c. at Quarantine agreeably to the directions of the Visiting Physician: — He shall board and attend the sick, and find nurses: — He shall be allowed five dollars each week for the board and nursing each sick person at the Island; to be collected as the fees of the Visiting Physician are by law collected, or assumed: — He shall board the boatmen and he shall be held to conform to all the directions of this Board in all matters respecting Quarantine concerns. ——

Sec 2d In the absence of the Visiting Physician, the Island Keeper is charged with the police of the Island, agreeably to the rules and laws thereof. ——

Art. 9. Of the Boatmen

Sec 1st Two persons shall be employed to ply in the Island boat during the time Quarantine is required: — They shall daily bring reports to the Health-Office of the arrivals at the Island, and of all events which may have occurred there: They shall carry down supplies to vessels on Quarantine, when delivered on board the Island boat: They are to consider themselves as assistants to the Island Keeper; and shall at all times, be under the controul of this Board.

By order of the Board

Benj. Rush President

Attest N. Greenough Sec'y.

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May 11th The Committee appointed to ascertain the Rent due Mr Henry Newman for premises on which the Wharf now stands, have attended that duty, They cannot find any Record made of the same, but from the best of their recollection the Committee then agreed to give him forty dollars P Annum ——

Voted that the execution of that part of the 6th Article of Regulations respecting the platforms of Stalls in the Market place be suspended till the further Order of this Board. ——

Voted. That the Scavengers be directed to keep all the Carts employd in cleansing the Streets, Lanes and Alleys, until Wednesday Next Inclusive

Voted That Each Member take Measures to prevent and Remove the Nuisances complained of in their respective Wards. ——

Voted That the President be Authorized to Draw on the town Treasurer for Four Hundred and forty dollars in favour of Colo Thomas Badger and Jeremiah Bridge for two Hundred dollars Each. And in favour of Mr Henry Newman for forty dollars. for one years Rent from the first of July 1806 to the last of June 1807 of land on which the Wharf for the use of the Night Carts was the last year erected; The agreement with Mr Newman was this That he was to receive forty dollars P Annum for the use of the Land, — with the following proviso, viz That the Board Should quit the premises at any time when requested, by having the privilege of removing the Wharf themselves ——

Combach in Mr Newman

Voted that Mr Ezekiel Andrews Fisherman Letter respecting a fish Stall be referred to a Committee.

Voted that Capt Rhoades, Binney & Larkin be this Committee.

Officers Salaries

The Committee on the subject of Salarys beg leave to Report, that the Salary of the Visiting Physician be Thirteen Hundred and fifty dollars. The Salary of the Secretary for the ensuing year, Shall be Six Hundred dollars. That the Salary of the Messenger be Four Hundred dollars. The Salary of the Island keeper be three Hundred and fifty dollars. — Voted to Accept the above Report

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May 1st The Letter to be delivered by the Visiting Physician to the Masters of Vessels arriving on Quarantine ground, was Read. Voted to adopt the same as now altered and amended which is as follows viz—

Health Office

Boston

To Master of the

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entering the harbour of Boston, from his Officers Crew and Passengers, and to every person on board said Vessel.

Whereas by a Law of this Commonwealth, entitled "An Act to empower the town of Boston to choose a Board of Health, and for removing and preventing of Nuisance" passed the 20th June 1799. The Board of Health for the town of Boston are empowered whenever and as often as they deem it necessary for the safety of the town, to cause vessels arriving within the harbours of Boston, to perform Quarantine under such restrictions, regulations and qualifications as they may judge expedient.

You, and each of you are, therefore, hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth, immediately to proceed with your vessel to anchor near Rainsford's Island (within the outer harbour of Boston) and there perform quarantine, and be purified, together with your cargo, clothes, bed, bedding, and every other matter and thing on board your vessel, under and agreeably to the directions of the Visiting Physician of this Board:— And duly to observe the following regulations:

Each day while performing quarantine, You are to hoist a red flag, (to be delivered you by the Visiting Physician) at the head of the mainmast of your vessel, from sunrise to sunset.

You are not to go out of your vessel, nor suffer any letter, packet, paper or other thing of any kind or nature whatever, to be taken out, except to be landed on said Island for the purpose of

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Purification, and even then not without permission of either the Visiting Physicians, or Keeper of said Island.

You are not to suffer any person to come on board your vessel on any pretence whatever, (except those employed by or under this Board) and in case any person should come on board, you are to detain him or her until he or she have permission to go on shore by the Visiting Physician.

Should the Visiting Physician permit any of you to go on shore at Rainsford's Island, you are not on any pretence whatever to go without the limits of the line designated on said Island by the Board, or those that may be made by said Physician.

You are not to permit any person belonging to your vessel, or any passenger, to tarry on the island after Eight o'clock, in the evening, unless by permission of the Visiting Physician; and you are to cause your Boat or Boats to be hoisted in on deck, or up to your vessels davits at 8 o'clock, every evening, and there continue until sunrise the next morning.

You are to continue at anchor near Rainsford's Island, until you obtain a Certificate from the Visiting Physicians, that you, your vessel, and the contents, may come up to town, with safety to the inhabitants; which Certificate with the red flag, you are to leave at the Health-Office, within Twenty four hours, and receive a counter one, directed to the Collector for the port of Boston and Charlestown.

In case you wish at any time the Keeper of the Island to come on board, you will hoist your Ensign or Jack in the Shrouds.

You, the Master, are accountable for every person who arrived in your vessel, in any port of the United States, and at Rainsford's Island; and you cannot be discharged from Quarantine without a muster of the whole of them, unless previously discharged by by order of this Board. You are herewith furnished with the

law of

Quarantine, in Order that you may not plead ignorance of your duty, and while the Board of Health on the one hand feel an assurance of your punctual compliance therewith, they think it incumbent on them to observe, that they will cause the same to be carried into effect with the most rigid exactness, and prosecute all those who may transgress in any manner whatever.

By the Board of Health
Benj.a Russell President

West N. Greenough Secretary

Adjourned to
Monday next

1807
May 11th Agreeably to the vote of the Board, the President this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows viz

In favour of Jeremiah Bridge for	$200.00
In ditto of Thomas Badger	200.00
In ditto of Henry Newman	40.00
Nothing	$440.00

May 18th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day.

Present Benj.a Russell Esq.r President

Messr.s Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Odin | Sartain, Freeman, Williams, Tuttle & Meriam

On Motion Voted that the President Order one Hundred Copys of the Quarantine Regulations to be Printed for the use of the Board &
Voted that the President be Desired to inform the Collector of the Customs, and the Commanding Officer of Fort Independence, of Commencement of a Quarantine of Vessels the 25 Instant: and request their assistance in carrying their regulations into
Execution.

And that the Secretary notify the Visiting Physician and Island Keeper, and Direct the Pilots and request them to govern themselves accordingly

Voted that the Boatmen employ'd by this Board shall be allowed Twenty dollars p'r Month from the Commencement of quarantine

Voted that the Island-Keeper be allowed three dollars p'r Week for the Board of the Boatmen

Voted that the Board will Visit Rainsford Island on Wednesday next, if the weather permit; if not on Tursday following.

Voted that a Committee be appointed to make arangments for the above visit. Voted that Mr Larkin Mr Tuttle & Capt Binney be this Committee

Voted that the President be requested to Inform Capt Freeman of Board Independence, of the Intended visit to the Island and Request the pleasure of his, with his Officers Company.

Voted that the Visiting Physician be desired to accompany the Board to Rainsford Island on Wednesday next

Voted that the Superintendents of the Scavengers, be Invited to accompany the Board to the Island.

Voted that the Absent Members be injoined to attend the Board on a Visit to Rainsford Island on Wednesday next.

The committee to whom was referred Mr Andrews Letter respecting a fish stall. Report that it is not Expedient to grand the prayer of his Petition

Voted that the Committee appointed last fall to Furnish and Furnish the Health office be desired to Compleat the same as then Ordered

Voted that a Committee be appointed to form a Condeit for waste Water

Mr Tuttle and Mr Odin were appointed

Voted that a Committee be appointed to examin into a complaint of Mr Daniel Warner's of wash water and filth running into his

Collar from premises of Capt Atkins in Princes Street. —
Voted that Capt Rhoades, Staples & Binney be this Committee
Voted that a Committee be appointed to examine a Nuisance
complained of in Cambridge Street and Report. —
Voted that Mr Tuttle, Mr Freeman & Mr Meriam be this Committee
Voted the Consideration of Removing the platforms in the
Market place be postponed to Next Monday. —
Voted that a Committee be appointed to confer with the Selectmen
on the subject of the Market.
Voted. Mr Russell Mr Williams & Mr Larkin be this Committee
Voted that the Board, and the persons invited to accompany them
on a Visit to Rainsford Island Gederiand to Meet at this Office
at half past 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning. —

Adjourned to Wednesday next

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May 18th — Agreeably to the Votes of the last Meeting the President
notified the Collector of the Customs and Commanding officer
of Fort Independence, of the Commencement of a Quarantine
on the 25 Instant, and requested their aide in enforceing
the same — and agreeably to Order the Secretary Notified
the Visiting Physician Island Keeper and Pilots. —

May 20th — The Board this day Visited Rainsford Island, and
(visit to Island) having viewed the premises, directed the Visiting Physician
and the Island Keeper to see the usual Regulation of the
Island in force —

May — 25 — At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj Russell Esq President

Mess Binney, Rhoades, Staples — Colen Larkin, Freeman — Williams, Tuttle, Meriam

See July 20th Sec Lang 3 — The Committee on M Daniel Warners Complaint, Reported that,

that they had attended the business assigned them and that the parties concerned had agreed to dig a drain for the same

The Committee on the Nuisance in Cambridge Street Reported they had seen Mr Walter Russell the owner of Cellar who promised to clean and drain the same

On Motion Voted that a Committee be appointed to procure a suitable place to deposit the Dirt and filth Collected by the Scavengers

Voted Mr Williams Mr Merriam and Capt Binney be this Committee

Voted that a Committee on Mrs Clarks petition or Letter respecting her Vault and Yard be raised. Voted thus Mr Russell Mr Merriam and Mr Tuttle be this committee

Voted that a Committee be appointed to Inquire in to and Examin a Nuisance said to Exist on or near Mr Freemans premises Green Street. Voted that Messrs Russell Rhoades and Williams be this committee with full powers to remove the same

Voted that the Committee on Quarantine, Consider whether any regulation Respecting well vessels, which may arrive on quarantine ground and have entered this port for Orders, being bound to an out port are Necessary; and if Necessary, what

Voted that the Committee of the Week be requested to Examine into a Nuisance complained of at the bottom of Milk Street

Voted that a Committee be appointed to procure a Good Prospective glass for the use of the Board. Messrs Williams, Staples, and Odin were appointed.

Adjd to Monday next

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May 25. At a special Meeting of the Board of Health this day P.M.

Present Benj Russell Esq President.

Messrs Rhoades, Odin, Larkin, Freeman, Williams, Merriam

Voted that the Committee on Scavengers department be directed to Compleat their business with the Superintendent, and Report at next Meeting

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May 25th On complaint of the Common Sewer in Cold Lane leading to Mill Pond being checked, it was Voted that Capt Rhoades, Mr Merriam, & Mr Williams be a Committee to collect the Names of the abutters on the Common Sewer running down Cold Lane in to the Mill Pond; and to direct Notifications to be issued to the Proprietors: that the Lane must be kept open and that the Sewer must be extended 20 feet. And that they take the necessary measures to effect the same.

Committee on the Common Sewer in Cold Lane

Voted that Mr Larkin Freeman & Odin be a Committee to collect the Names of the abutters on the Common Sewer running in to the Mill Pond thro Sudbury Street that Notifications may be sent them to Clear and Extend the same if Necessary

Adj'd

1807
29th May The Committee of the Week directed the Secretary to Notify the Board to Meet on Tuesday instead of Monday next as Monday is a Military day

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1807
June 2d At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Eben'r Larkin Esq President P. T.

Mess.rs Binney, Rhoades, Freeman } { Williams, Tuttle, Merriam

The Committee to procure a place to deposit the Dirt and filth collected by the Scavengers, Report that they have attended that Duty — and that after diligent Search they find no Place so suitable as from the Wharf belonging to the Town at West Boston — that part be distributed there — part where they now deposit, at the South and North parts of the Town. —

The Committee appointed to Examine the Nuisance near Mr Freemans Reported it appeared to be in Leverett Street. and Mr Freeman was directed to take of the Surface and to replace it with gravel.

The Committee on the Scavengers' department Reported, they had, as directed, finished the buisness with the Superintendents. Mess^rs Budge and Badger have signed their bonds. ——

Troops from Castle Island in town

It having been Mentioned to the Board that Capt Freeman of Castle Island, intended paradeing his Company of Continental Troops, in this town to morrow, Therefore Voted, that a Committee, of three be appointed to invite Capt Freeman and Company to Refresh themselves at Faneuil Hall; in consideration of the assistance rendered by them to the Regulations of this Board. and said Committee be authorized to procure such refreshment as they think proper. Voted Mess^rs Larkin, Rhoades, & Binney be this Committee. ——

Adj^d to Monday Next

1807
June 8th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj^a Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Binney	Larkin
Rhoades	Freeman
Staples	Williams
Odin —	Merian

On Motion Voted that the Committees on the Common Sewers in Cold lane and Sudbury Street be directed to proceed in that buisness ——

Voted that the Secretary be directed to Inquire where the night Cartmen Deposit the filth of Vaults.

Voted that Mess^rs Odin & Freeman Examine the Nuisance in Brattle Square Mentioned to the Board by M^r Odin.

Voted that no permit be given to visit Rainsford Island, unless granted in this office; excepting on Sundays: and that the Names of all persons permitted to visit the Island be entered in the records of the Weekly Committee.

Voted that the form of a permit to the Island be committed to a Committee ——

Voted Mess^rs Martin and Binney be that Committee who are desired to have One Thousand Printed

Adj^d to Monday Night ——

1807
June 15th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Mr Nath^l Merriam President pro Tem

Mess^rs Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Odin | Freeman, Williams, Bellows

The proceedings of the last Meeting having been read

On Motion Voted that the Persons appointed to Clean Vaults be directed to carry the filth to the places appointed by the Board at West Boston, and the North End of the Town only.

Permits to the Island to be paid for — Voted that the Secretary charge for each permit given to Visit Rainsford Island Twenty five cents

Adj^d to Monday Night

June 22d At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Ben^n Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Binney, Rhoades, Odin | Freeman, Williams, Merriam

Voted, that the Visiting Physician be authorized to

See Weekly Book

follow the Directions of the weekly Committee Respecting

the Schooner Morning Star Joshua Watkins from Leghorn

Voted that the Visiting Physician be directed to obtain

the Brig Susanna John Minott Jun^r from St Croix till

Wednesday next 10 O'Clock A. M. and then discharge her, unless there new cause of doubt arise.

Voted, That the Regulation respecting permits to the Island be so far altered, that permits may be given after Office hours by the Members.

Permits to the Island

Voted, That every person about to go to Rainsford Island shall have a permit and that for each permit Twenty five cents shall be paid.

Voted that the Board Visit Rainsford Island on the 15th July next

Voted, That the President be authorized to draw on the Town Treasurer for Eight hundred and forty three dollars and Ninety one Cents in favour of the Superintendents of the Scavengers, Secretary, Messenger and Thursday persons whose accounts were this day passed by the Committee, (see Drafts)

Voted, that so much of the 3d Article of the Regulations of this Board as respects the time limited for the Sale of Oysters, & Lobsters, be suspended till the 5th day of July next.

Adj'd to Monday Next.

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June 22 Agreably to the above vote the President this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favour of the following persons, viz.

In favour of Jeremiah Bridge	$200.00
In Ditto of Thomas Badger	200.00
In Ditto of Nath. Greenough	150.00
In Ditto of William Phillips	100.00
In Ditto of Nath. Meriam	15.00
In Ditto of Jacob Rhoades	124.2
In Ditto of Amos Lewis	2.00
In Ditto of Andrew Townsend	8.18
In Ditto of Amasa Murdock	44.71
	$843.91

1807
June 29th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj.n Russell Esq.r President

M.r Rhoades
Colin
Larkin
Freeman
Williams. Tuttle. & Mariam

Voted that a Committee of Arrangements be chosen to carry into effect the Vote of the last Meeting. to visit Rainsford Island the 15th July next

Voted that the President. M.r Larkin M.r Mariam. Tuttle and Rhoades be this Committee

Voted that the following Gentlemen be invited to accompany the Board to the Island viz. His Excellency Governour Sullivan: The Hon.r The Lieutenant Governour. Selectmen Assistants Assessors. Fire Wards, Physicians, Past Presidents of the Board and Members who retired the last year, Sheriff and Marshal Town Judge and Advocate. Navy Agent, Commodore Preble, Officers of Fort Independence, Collector of Revenue, John Foster Williams, the Hon.r John Q. Adams and Josiah Quincy, Town Treasurer, Quarter Master General Attorney General. D.r Freeman, D.r Eckley, M.r Clay, D.r Baldwin. M.r Channing. M.r Gardiner. M.r Pickering. The Presidents of the Marine Offices, Auditor of Town Accounts

Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to pay John Redmans his bill for Papering the Health Office. which bill was this day past by the Committee on Accounts.

Voted that a Committee of three be chosen to take up the Subject of Drains generally and Report

Voted that M.r Russell M.r Rhoades & M.r Mariam be this Committee

Voted that the Secretary be directed to publish the following advertisement viz

Health Office Boston June 29th 1807

Agreeably to the 5th Article of the Health Regulations. the following Species of Fish viz Salmon. Smoked and other wise

Mackerel, Haddock, Codfish (or black fish), Flounders, Eels, Lobsters, Crabs, Smelts, and small fish may be sold at all times of the day, in any part of the town provided they are kept screened from the rays of the Sun; but the venders of them will be held responsible for any nuisance occasioned thereby.

By Order of the Board

N. Freeman Sec'y.

Health Office Boston June 29th 1807

Any Person willing to remove the contents of Necessaries, agreeably to the regulations of the Board of Health, will leave their names at this office, on or before Friday next

By Order of the Board

N. Freeman Sec'y

Adj'd to Monday next

July 6. 1807 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj. Russell Esq. President

Messrs. Binney, Rhoades, Odin, Larkin, Freeman, Tuttle, Bellows, Meriam

Voted that a Committee be appointed to attend to the subject of complaints of Nuisance existing from waste water in School Street. Capt. Rhoades, Mr. Meriam and Mr. Tuttle were appointed for this Committee.

Voted that the Members of the Board be requested to report at the next Meeting, the Streets in their Respective Wards in which there is no common Sewer and where it is necessary that drains should be sunk.

Voted that Capt. Binney be authorized to give permission

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July 6th 1807 to. Mr Jarrett Trotter vote was Goulding Tombs in the North burying ground (and was Stop'd by the Weekly Committee) to proceed under his direction ——————

Voted That the Secretary be directed to write to the several Church Wardens, or those that have the care of the Churches where Dead bodyes are deposited. enclosing the Regulation respecting the same, and inform them that the Board direct the Lime to be stacked under the Churches on the 10th & 25th of July, August & September.

Voted, That the Committee be authorized to receive any proposals for building Carts, and removing the filth of Vaults, and to Empower the persons who they shall approve to do the same

Voted that the Persons employ'd with the Night Carts be directed not to proceed on Night work, till after 11 o'Clock P.M. and that they desist one hour before Sun-rise ——

Voted that the Regulation of the Board Respecting Meetings on Mondays be so far dispensed with, that the Board may meet on Saturday in Stead of Monday next. and that when the Board adjourn they adjourn to Saturday next.

Adj" to Saturday Sept 11 O.C. A.M.

July 11th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj" Russell Esq" President

Capt Binney
Capt Rhodes
Capt Staples
Edw Larkin Esq"

Williams
Hutchings
Bulfinch
Meriam

The Committee on the School Street Nuisance Reported, that

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July 11th Had Attended the duty Respecting them, and Have had Orders & Notifications to be sent to the Scullers. Ordering a Drain or Common Sewer to be Sunk and Completed, in Thirty days from the 13 Instant; for the Reception of the Waste Water from their Premises.

The Members where Severally called on to Report the State of their respective Wards agreeably to the Vote of the last Meeting.

The Committee of N.1.2 Reported at Large a Great number of Deliquencys. In North Lynn. Princes Charles Streets and Love Lane: Sir Thos. Clarks & Black Streets, Chatelion and Doggetts Alleys and North Square. All which is Noted and will be Attended to agreeably to the Committees directions.

Voted that the Report of N.1.2 be accepted and that the Committee Carry the same into Effect as soon as maybe.

N.3 Had further time to Make Report

N.4 Not Represented to Day

N.5 Report progress and had further time to report at Next Meeting

N.6 Reported Ditto and allowed time to report as ditto

N.7 Reported that the Principle Nuisance was in School Street and had Leave further to Report at Next Meeting

N.8 Reported Progress and had Leave to Report as Ditto

N.9 Not Represented to Day

N.10 Having been Vacant the New Member had further time

N.11 Reported there was Waste Water Issuing from Mrs. Plumtree in West Street, Ditto from Mr Brewers N.10 Sumner Street. Tabex Watches in Dean Street. Mr Seth Wrights Reinsford Lane: and Mrs Bests in Ditto. and Vacancies Common Nassau & Elliot Street

N.12 Mr Merriam Reported he had Examined his Ward and found no Necessity for any Common Sewer to be Sunk. But with few exceptions the Ward was in good Order. and those Exceptions have ben particularly attended to

Voted on Complaint of a Nuisance Brought into Dunkelin Place

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That Capt Hutchens & Mr Freeman be a Committee to Examin the Same and cause it to be removed immediately —

Voted That the Secretary be directed to Notify the Owners of Houses in Board Alley from Milk Street to Franklin Place that they provide Tubs for their filth and that they deliver the contents to the Scavengers when they come to the Ends of the Alley —

Voted that the Secretary be directed to Ascertain if the Lime has been Stacked under the Churches according to Order and if not the Committee of the Week is directed to prosecute those who have the Care of the same —

Committee on Night Carts — 3

Voted that a Standing Committee be Appointed on Night Carts —

Voted that Capt Rhoades Mr Bellows & Mr Meriam be this Committee —

Voted that the Board approve of Mr Meriams Conduct In taking from a Butcher Ten Quarters of Land that was Found and throwing it in to the Channel —

Voted that the Secretary be directed under the Directions of the Committee who drawup the Regulations on Nuisances to procure One Hundred Copys of the Same, printed for the Use of the Board — Voted that Mr

Capt Binney Reported he had attended the duty assigned him on Capt Hill and that the Workmen building Tombs there progressing agreeably to their instructions —

Voted the Secretary be directed to publish the following Vote & Order

In Board of Health, July 11th 1807

Voted, That such part of the Regulations of this Board passed on the 20th April 1807, as regulates the Sale of Lobsters in this town be, and the same is hereby repealed: and that the following Regulation be adopted in its stead viz —

Of Lobsters

Ordered, That from the date hereof until the 31st day of August, it shall not be lawful for any person or Persons

to bring into, sell, or have in possession, within the limits of this town any Lobsters,

By Order of the Board

Attest N Freemoor Sec'y

Benj Russell President

Voted that when this Board adjourn they adjourn to Next Wednesday. then to Meet at Rainsford Island all unfinished business is Refered to Next Monday

Adj'd to Wednesday Next

1807

July 15th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day at Rainsford's Island.

The Board at the Island

Present Benj Russell Esq President

Mess Binney	Williams
Rhoades	Tuttle
Staples	Hutchings
Odin	Bellows
Larkin	Meriam

Mr Spear the Island Keeper Reported the State of the Island to be good and healthy, that the Laws, and Police of the same where observed and Obey'd by the Captains, and those that had permits, to land on the Island, with Chearfulness to the Regulations.

The Board Having Examined the Island & Hospital, it was Voted that the Board adjourn to Monday next, then to meet at their Office in Boston

The Board Adjourned accordingly to Monday Next

1807
July 20th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day —

Present Benj Russell Esqr President

Messrs Rhoades, Staples, Odin, Larkin | Williams, Tuttle, Hutchings, Meriam

On Motion Voted that the Committee of Arrangments on the late Visit to the Island be Authorized to pass the Accounts for the same and Draw on the Treasurer for the Amount —

Voted that a draft made on the Town Treasurer in favour of the Superintendents of the Scavengers for Six hundred dollars Three hundred Each —

Warners Drain Voted that the Subject of Mr Warners, Atkins and Hopkins' drains, be referred to the Meeting on Monday next

All unfinished business is referred to the next Meeting.

Adjourned to Monday Next

Agreeably to the above Vote, the President Drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows viz —

In favour of Jeremiah Bridge for	$300	00
In favour of Thomas Badger for	300	00
	$600.	00

27th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj Russell Esqr President

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Staples | Larkin, Tuttle, Hutchings & Meriam

The President Communicated to the Board an Invitation he had Received from the Gentlemen Selectmen, to accompany them on a Visit to Deer Island. —

Voted that the Board Accept the Delightful invitation of the

Selectmen to accompany them on Visit to Deer Islands on Friday next. And that the President be requested to write to their Chairman Informing him of this Vote.

On a Statement to the Board by Mr. Tho. Mimms, respecting waste water (he was Notified to prevent running in to West Street) It was Voted, that a Committee be chosen to Examine the premises. And that the time allowed him to prevent the same, be extended till their Report be made

Voted, that Capt Hutchings, Mr Bellows & Meriam, be the Committee

Voted that the Water Committee be directed to take measures to prevent the waste water from the Town Pump at the corner of Congress & Milk Streets, running above ground

Voted that the Secretary Notify the absent members to give their Special attendance on Monday next as business of Importance is Expected to come before the Board.

Adj^d to Monday Next

1807
July 29th At a Special Meeting of the Board of Health this Day.

Present Benj^a Russell Esq^r President

Mr. Binney	Tuttle
Rhoades	Williams
Odin	Hutchings
Larkin	Bellows & Meriam

The President Communicated to the Board a Note he had received from the Selectmen respecting the Nuisance in School, Street; they desire a conference.

Voted that a Committee of Three be chosen to Confer with the Committee of the Selectmen

Voted that the President, Capt Rhoades & Mr. Meriam be this Committee

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July 29th Voted that the Committee proceed on the Business —

The Committee returned and Made the following Report viz

That the Object of the Conference, was to enquire, what measures had been taken by the Board relative to the Nuisance in School Street, whether the Board had thoroughly investigated the same, whether some other mode could not be adopted to remedy the evil than a Common Sewer and whether the Board, were determin'd to pursue the Business, as doubts where entertain'd by the Selectmen whether the damage that would arise in consequence of Complying with the requisitions of the Board, would not be a greater nuisance than the one which now exists, in consequence of being obliged to Break up so large a portion of the Street —

In answer to which your Committee Observ'd, that complaints to the Board on the subject had been frequent, that a Committee had been appointed to examine the premises who had reported it to be a Nuisance, that it was the duty of the Board to remove all nuisance, without any regard to the consequences, That a Committee had also been Appointed with Instructions to have the same removed, who were of opinion that the only effectual remidie would be to have a Common Sewer. That each abutter sink a drain to lead therein, whereupon the Committee caused Notifications to be sent to each Abutter directing the same to be done in thirty days, and if those directions were not Complyed with in that time the Board would assume the same and have it done immediately —

Voted to accept the above report —

Adj^d —

1807
August 3d. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day
Present Benj. Russell Esq. President

Messrs. Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Odin
Messrs. Parkin, Williams, Hutching, Bellows & Merriam

Voted the Account of Silas Whitney of Three dollars & 25/100 for removing and Carting Dirt from Cambridge and Everett Street, be committed to the Committee on Accounts and if they Satisfied a Draft be Made on the Town Treasurer for the amount

Voted that the Messenger be directed to Examine the Premises in Center Street (West Boston) Reported by Mr. Freeman to Contain Nuisance. and report to the Weekly Committee that they may take Measures thereon ——

The Committee chosen to examine Mr. J. Mimms premises Reported the waste water Issueing therefrom a Nuisance, that it ought to be removed. whereupon it was voted that the Secretary Notify Mr. Mimms to remove it in ten days. ——

The Chairman of the Committee on the Waste water from the pump in Milk-street, being out of town, the other Members reported progress ——

Voted, That the Account of Abraham Ingersoll for cleaning the Methodist Meeting-house twice after Churching Members for the Board of Health ($6) be paid by a draft on the Town Treasurer ——

Voted to accept the bill of Nath & Bell for burying the Child of Susan Hanson and that the same be paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer for the Amount. Three Dollars & 50/100 ——

Voted that the Complaints of Small fish being sold in the Streets, be committed to the Weekly Committee to consider thereon and Report

The Subject of D. Warners drain was taken up and after debate

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August 3 Voted that the Committee on the same be directed to asses
the cost of the Drain in the manner they shall judge proper
and that the Board will support them in the same —

In Board of Health August 3 1807

To provide order and decorum on Rainsford Island
during the time a quarantine is required thereat,

Ordered

That the Visiting Physician and Island Keeper be
and they are hereby authorized and directed, in cases
when any violation of the usual police of the Island,
or any indecorous conduct or abusive language again-
-st this Board or its Officers shall be committed or ut-
-tered by any Master of a Vessel passenger or seaman or
by any person visiting or permitted to visit said Island,
to order the person so offending if a Master, passenger, or seaman
to repair immediately on board their respective vessels, ther
to remain until discharged; And if a visitor or person
permitted to visit the Island, then to depart from the said
Island, or otherwise as the case may require. —

Ordered That the Visiting Physician be directed to
make immediate report of the person offending as above
to the Weekly Committee —

By Order of the Board

Benj Russell President

Attest N. Greenough

Voted that the above Order as now Read be copied and trans-
mitted to the Visiting Physician & Island Keeper —

Voted that a Committee be appointed to examine the nuisance
complained of near the Toll House West Boston —

Voted that Mr Larkin Capt Rhoades & Capt Hutchings be this Comm-
-tee. —

Adjourned to Monday next —

August 13th Agreeably to the foregoing Votes the President this Day drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows viz.

In favour of Silas Whitney	$33.25
In favour of Abra.m Ingersoll	6.00
In favour of Nat.l E. Bell	3.50
	$42.75

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Eben Larkin President &c.

Messrs Rhoades, Staples, Freeman } { Williams, Suttle, Hutchinson

Voted that the Board accept the polight Invitation of the Selectmen, and that the following answer be sent them viz

The Board of Health acknowledge the receipt of the polite invitation of the Gentlemen Selectmen to attend them in their visitation to the Public Schools on Friday next, and accept the same with pleasure

I have the Honor to be
Your Humble Servt
D. Russell

The Committee on the complaint of small Fish being sold in the streets uncovered, report they had not discovered any.

Voted that the Regulations of the Board respecting the Meetings on Mondays be dispensed with at that the Board Meet on Wednesday next

Adjourned to Wednesday
Next 9 O Clock

1807
August 12th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj" Russell Esq" President

Mess" Rhoades, Williams
Odin, Tuttle
Larkin, Hutchings
Merian

In consequence of a Complaint made to the Board, and
by Order of the President, a Summons was issued by Just.
Capt Mills R. Gardner to Capt Stephen Mills of the Brig Sally from the
Havana to appear and answer before the Board of Health for a
Violation of the laws of Quarantine, by leaveing his Vessel &
coming upto town before Regularly discharged. Capt Mills
attended the Board.

It was Voted, that the Examination of Capt Mills be gone in.
Justice Gardner then read the Charge to which Capt Mills
plead guilty: and Recognized in the Sum of 500 $ with
surity's to appear before the Municipal Court to be holden by
adjournment on Monday the 17th Instant at the Court House
Boston

Voted that a Committee of two be added to the President
to prosecute the above to final Judgment

Voted that Capt Hutchings & Mr Larkin be Join'd

Common Sewer in Sudbury Street

Voted, that the abutters on the Common Sewer in Sudbury
Street be assessed three dollars each to pay the Expense
attending the Opening and Lengthening the same, and
that a List of the Names of the abutters be made out, by
the Secretary, with a proper head, and that the Messenger
be Empowered by the President to Collect the same.

Adj" to Monday Next

August 17th At a Meeting of the Board of Health
this Day Present Benj. Russell, Esq. President,

Messrs Rhoades, Larkin, Freeman, Williams | Snuttle, Hutchings, Bellows, Meriam

Some Reports of Committees received, others reported progress —

Adj'd to Monday Next

24th At a Meeting of the Board of Health
this day Present Benj. Russell Esq. President

Messrs Staples, Larkin, Freeman | Williams, Snuttle, Bellows & Meriam

Voted that a Committee be appointed to Inquire whether Mr Charles Bulfinch's premises is connected with the Common Sewer in Sudbury Street; and if satisfied that they are, Then the Committee are Authorized to prosecute him for his assessment of the expence of Repairing and extending the Same.

Mr Bulfinch Common Sewer

Voted that the President, Mr Larkin & Mr Meriam be this Committee

Voted that a Draft of Six Hundred dollars be made on the Town Treasurer, in favour of the Superintendents of the Scavengers Three Hundred dollars Each

Voted that the time allowed Mr Tarbox & others for Removing the waste water from their premises in Dinckney Street be extended seven days —

Adj'd to Monday Next

Agreeably to the above vote the President this Day drew on the Town Treasurer in favour as follows viz

In favour of Jeremiah Bridge for	$300.00
In favour of Thomas Badger for	300.00
	$600.00

1807 Monday August 31 There Not Meeting a Quoram and there being no particular business there was no Board formed this day Adjd to Next Monday

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At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Sept.r 7th Day. Present Eben.r Larkin Esq.r President P.T.

Messrs Binney, Staples, Freeman } { Tuttle, Hutchings, Bellows & Meriam

Voted That an Assessment be made on Mr Ezra Coates and Capt.n Eleazar Johnson for the payment of the bill for sinking a Drain for the Waste Water from their Premises in Marlborough Street, Two Thirds to Mr Coates. $24.66. and One third to Capt.n Johnson $12 33 Making together $36.99

Adj.d to Monday Next

Friday 11th At a Special Meeting of the Board of Health this Day. Present Nath.l Meriam President P.T.

Messrs Binney, Staples, Odin } { Freeman, Bellows, Hutchings

In consequence of information having been received at this Board, of a Malignant Fever prevailing in the City of Charleston South Caroline. The Board direct that all Vessels arriveing from that Port after this day, shall be carried and Anchored on Quarantine ground near Rainsfors Island, there to remain until further Orders from this Board.

Voted, That the Several Pilots be furnished with a Copy of the above, and be directed Strictly to Observe

the same; And that Capt Freeman be also furnished with a Copy of the same and be requested to lend his aid and assistance in carrying the same into effect.

Voted That the Weekly Committee be directed and empowered to order down to Rainsford Island any Vessel that may arrive from Charleston (S.C) during this day.—

Adj'd to Monday Next

Sept 11th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day.

Present Eben Larkin Esq President P.S.

Messrs Binney, Staples, Odin } { Freeman, Tuttle, Hutchings. V Meriam

Voted That the Order past at the Special meeting of 11 Inst be continued till further order

Voted that two Members be added to the Committee on the Cole lane common Sewer; Capt Rhoades being sick, & Mr Williams out of town

Voted that Mr Larkin & Mr Tuttle be joined to the committee.

Adj'd to Monday Next

21st At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day.

Present Benj Russell Esq President

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Larkin } { Freeman, Hutchings, Bellows & Meriam

Voted that Mr Larkin, be excused from any further service on the Cole Lane common Sewer.

Voted that the Visiting Physician, be directed to dischary the Schooner Edw Preble; as soon as May bee

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Sept 21

Voted that the following Order be Committed to the Weekly Committee, who are directed to Make inquiry respecting the Report of a Contagious Sickness prevailing in Charleston S. Carolina; and if Satisfied of the truth of the same, then to Publish the Order.

In Board of Health, Sept 21st 1807

Ordered, by the Board that the port of Charleston in South Carolina, be and the same is hereby considered as a port or place in which contagious Sickness prevails; that all Vessels coming therefrom be subject to the Regulations of this Board requiring a quarantine: And that all persons Entrusted with the Execution of the Regulations of this Board, are required to take notice and govern themselves Accordingly

Attest N. Freeman Secy. B. Rusell President

Sept 28th 1807

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day Present Benj Rusell Esqr President

Mr Jno Collin, Larkin, Freeman; Tuttle, Hutchings, Bellows & Merriam

Voted that Mr Tuttle be Instructed to see the Street paved over the Common Sewer in Marlborough & School Street as fast as the ground is settled

Voted That the President be added to the School Street committee

Voted that the Port of Savannah in Georgia be considered as infected with contagious Sickness; That all Vessels coming therefrom be subject to the Regulations of this Board, requiring a quarantine. Voted the following Order be Publish[ed]

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In Board of Health. Boston Sept^r 28^th 1807.

Ordered by the Board, That the port of Savannah, in Georgia, &c, and the same is hereby considered as a port or place in which contagious sickness prevails; that all vessels coming therefrom is subject to the Regulations of this Board, requiring a Quarantine. And that all persons Entrusted with the Execution of the Regulations of this Board, are required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Attest J. Greenough Sec^y. Benj^a Russell President.

Voted, That the Collector of the Port, the Commanding Officer of Fort Independence and Pilots be informed of this Order

Adj^d to Monday Next

October 5^th 1807. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj^a Russell, Esq^r President.

Gov^r Sumner, Rhoades, Staples, Larkin, Freeman, Williams, Tuttle, Meriam

Committee to report a general rule for assessments

On motion, voted, That the President, Mr Tuttle, Capt Phinney and Mr Meriam, be a Committee to report a general principle of assessing Proprietors of Houses and Lands on Streets where common sewers are made, by order of the Board.

On motion voted, That the Committee above mentioned, be directed to assess the Proprietors of Houses and Lands whose drains enter the common sewer lately ordered in Pool, Common and Beacon Streets, to be assessed agreeably to such rule as the Committee shall agree on, and that the usual Order to the Messenger to collect the same be issued.

Adj^d to Monday

Wm J. Tudor Clerk

1807 October 19th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day. Present Benj.n Russell Esq.r President

Messrs. J. Odin, E. Larkin, N. Freeman — R. Williams, D. Tuttle, W.m T. Hutchings, N. Merian

Committee on Common Sewer School Street &c. present —

On Motion Voted that the Board approve the doings of the Committee on the Common Sewer in School Common and Beacon Streets. (on file) and that the Abutters be allowed Thirty days from the 5th Instant to pay their Assessments —

Voted that the Moneys collected by the Messenger for the above mentioned Sewer, be paid to the Committee; and that they pay the Workmen at their discretion —

Voted that when the Board adjourn they adjourn to Monday next

Voted that the Board visit Rainsford Island on Saturday Next (weather permitting) and that the Secretary make the usual Arrangements under the direction of the President to proceed at Nine O'Clock from this Office.

Voted that a Grant be made in favor of the Secretary and Messenger of the Board for two quarters Salary, each

Voted that the President be authorized to draw on the Town Treasurer for the grant in favor of the Secretary & Messenger & to pay Sundry bills paid by the Committee on Accounts. as by draft

Adj.d to Monday Next

Agreeably to the above Vote the President this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of the Secretary, Messenger and Sundry persons whose (bills on file) the Committee on Accounts have this day paid viz.

In favor of Nath.l Freeman Secretary	$300.00
In Dillo of William Wells Messenger	200.00
In Dillo of Nath.l Thayer	38.34
In Dillo of Nath.l Brewer	3.00
In Dillo of Jon.a Holman	5.00
In Dillo of Oliver Munroe	28.00
In Dillo of Jireh Holbrook	2.00
	$576.34

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October 24th. 11 a. Meeting of the Board of Health this day, at Rainsford Island agreeable to the vote of the 19th Instant.

Present Benj. Russell Esqr President.

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Odin, Larkin | Freeman, Williams, Tuttle, Hutchings & Merriam

Doctr Welsh made a verbal Report of the State of the Schooner Washington from Edenton North Carolina, Thomas Purdin Master: which was That she sailed from Pasquotank Inlet the 14th Instant. That the late Master Thomas Englonet died a few days before her Sailing, That two men were then sick on board. It was thereupon ordered that the the two sick Men should be landed and the Vessel purified and after Seventy two hours discharged from Quarantine.

It was further stated to the Board by the Visiting Physician, that it was more than four years since the Hospital had been Supplied by the Commonwealth with Necessary Bedding, and certain other Necessaries for the sick. Which the Secretary was directed to minute for the Consideration of the Board on Monday next.

The Subject of Quarantine was then taken up, and after reflection it was Voted, unanimously, that the Quarantine directed the 25th. May last Ceased & determined on all Vessels from the Twenty Sixth Instant: Except Vessels from the Island of Cuba and the Ports of Charleston S. C. and Savannah in Georgia. The Board then examined the Island and gave instructions to the Island Keeper respecting the same.

It was Voted that when the Board adjourn they adjourn to Monday next, then to meet at the Health Office in Boston.

Voted to adjourn to Monday next 11. O. Clock. —

Accordingly —

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Oct^r 26. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day
Present Benj^a Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Odin, Freeman } Williams, Tuttle, Hutchings, Meriam, ...

On Motion Voted, that a Committee be appointed to apply to the Quarter Master General for certain necessary bedding & Clothing for the sick at Hospital Island. The President Capt Hutchings & Capt Staples were appointed.

Voted that the Visiting Physician be requested to accompany the Committee.

On motion Voted that a Committee be appointed to apportion the assessment on the proprietors of Estates near Ship Street; for the Expence of Removing a Nuisance and making a drain from Cellars & for waste water. done by order of the Board

Voted that Capt Rhoades, & Capt Staples, be this Committee.

The subject of Quarantine was Considered. on which it was Voted that the following Order be now read & published in the Columbian Centinel & Chronicle. viz.

In Board of Health, Boston, Oct^r 26, 1807.

Ordered, that the Quarantine directed by this Board to cease and determine from this day, excepting of vessels from the island of Cuba, from Charleston, in the State of South-Carolina, and Savannah, in the State of Georgia.

Provided, however, that nothing in this order shall be construed to repeal the following regulations of the Board. viz "All vessels from any port or place, whatever having one or more sick persons on board, or on board of which any person shall have died of Malignant fever, shall, at all seasons of the year be liable to quarantine, if in the Opinion of the Visiting Physician such trial shall be necessary."

And all persons entrusted with the execution of the regulations of this Board, are required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

By Order of the Board,

Benj.ⁿ Russell, President.

A true Copy N. Greenough Secy.

Voted to adjourn to this day fortnight. Monday 9th Nov.r

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November 9th

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benj.ⁿ Russell Esq.r President.

Mess.rs Binney	Freeman
Rhoades	Williams
Maples	Hutchings
Odin	Merriam
Jarkin	

The committee appointed to make application to the Quarter Master General for Sundry for the Hospital at Rainsford Island: reported progress and ingranted to sit again.

The committee appointed to make an Assessment on the abutters of the Common Sewer in Ship Street Reported progress and had leave to sit again.

On Motion Voted that the Quarantine Ordered on Vessels from Cuba the 25th May. and Charleston (S.C.) and Savannah in Georgia the 21st & 28th September last; Cease on all Healthy vessels after the 11th Instant and the same be published in the Newspapers; and Secretary give the usual information to the Collector of the Revenue, the Commander of Fort Independence the Pilots. Visiting Physician & Island Keeper. —

The Committee of the Scavengers Department Report that the Scavengers Contract Ceased on the 3d instant. The committee after inspecting the Carts and Harness (which they found in good order & were & are excepted) deposited them in the care of Mr Amasa Murdock to remain untill the next season,

1807 The Committee were of Opinion that the six old Carts would not answer for use another season, they therefore thought it not advisable to House them, but the other three Carts and all the Harness is put under Cover, for the whole of which Mr Hu-dock is to receive five Dollars. The Committee are also of Opinion that the Scavengers have faithfully fulfilled their Contracts and are entitled to their full pay.

On Motion Voted that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer in favor of the Superintendents of the Scavengers Mess^rs Bridge and Badger for Eleven hundred and fifty dollars to com-plete the amount of their Contracts. Seven hundred and fifty for Mr Jeremiah Bridge. and four hundred for Col^o Thomas Badger.

Voted That the accounts of William Mosey of June 10th 1807 Elijah French of June 10th do. and Amasa Murdock of June 10th 1807 all for work on the Town Carts. and Teal Skidmore for Coffin and Interment of a Stranger. and in favor of William Phil-lips for Jacob Smith's bill of Wood for the Office; which Mr Phillips is to be included in the Draft after being examined and passed by the Committee on Accounts

Voted. That when this Board Adjourn they adjourn to Fri-day fortnight.

Voted. Accordingly to Adjourn to Monday the 23 Instant

Nov^r 9th Agreeably to the above Vote the President this day Drew on the Town Treasurer In favor of Jeremiah Bridge, Thomas Badger and Sundry persons whose bills the Committee on Ac. Examined & passed viz.

	In favor of Jeremiah Bridge	$750.00
	In favor of Thomas Badger	400.00
Copies for Bills	In Dillo of William Mosey	11.82
	In Ditto of Elijah French	5.4
	In Dillo of Amasa Murdock	10.65
	In Dillo of Teal Skidmore	12.00
	In Dillo of William Phillips	18.87
		$1208.38

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Nov^r 23^d At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day. Present Ben^j Russell Esq President

Mess^rs Binney	Larkin
Rhoades	Freeman
Staples	Tuttle
Odlin	Meriam

The committee appointed to apply to the Quarter Master Gen^l Reported a Schedule of the Necessarys for the Hospital at Rains-ford Island and Ask leave set again ——

The committee appointed to make the Assessment for the Expence of the Common sewer in High street. On the Proprietors of Houses and Lands. Report. That the whole Expence Amounted to $149.42

That this expience be divided in to Seven parts of $21.35 ...

viz — That M^r Jaquith pay for One Entry in to the drain $21.35

That M^r Powers pay for One 21.35

M^r Binney " for One 21.35

M^r Dyer ... " for two 42.70

M^r Briggs " for two 42.70

$149.45

On Motion Voted, That the Report of the Committee be Accepted, and the Gentlemen of the Committee be Impowered to collect and settle the same.

Voted that a Committee be raised to form an address to the Town Respecting the Internal and External proceedings of the Board the year past. M^ss^rs Russell, Larkin & Binney. Appointed

Voted that the Treasurer be Authorized to pay the Accounts of M^r Thomas Spear for Wages & Board of Boatmen And M^r John Binney for Sundrys as per bill, this day passed by the Committee

Voted That the Committee on the common sewer in Chard Common & Beacon Street be Authorized to Make a final settlement with M^r Winzies for his Work & the President to Make a Draft if Necessary on the Town Treasurer for his ballance and that the Board will Support them in the same.

Voted that Presidents be Directed to settle with Doc^r Welsh

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The Visiting Physician ..... If he had Quarantine Money enough in his hands, It was to cause a Draft to be made on the Town Treasurer for the Ballance; Including in the Draft the Accounts of Mess^r Spear & Binney Ordered to be paid by the Treasurer.

Voted. That the Committee on Night Carts be directed to draw up Proposals for the removing of the Filth of Vaults and report at the Next Meeting.

Adjourn to this day fortnight

Monday 7^th Day of December

Nov^r 23^d 1807 Agreeably to Vote of the Board the President this day

Draft in favor Treasurer — $ 355.91

Drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of Doc^r Thomas Welsh Visiting Physician to the Board. Four Hundred and Sixty Eight dollars & Ninety One cents. The Ballance of his Salary. In favor of M^r Thomas Spear Island-keeper for Wages Board of two boat-men Five and a half Months. Three Hundred & Sixty four dollars. and In favor of M^r John Binney for his Bill of Sundrys Twenty three dollars. Making together Eight Hundred and fifty five dollars and Ninety one cents

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Decem^r 7^th. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benj^n Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Binney, Rhoades, Odin, Freeman, Tuttle, Hutchings, Meriam .....

The Committee appointed to apply to the Quarter-Master General for Necessaries for the Hospital at Rainsford Island Reported they had seen the Quarter-master who Informed them the Articles should be provided in season. But in the mean time it was Necessary to Apply to the Governor and Council. The Committee Requested leave to set again which was granted.

the Committee appointed to form an address to the Inhabitants respecting the doings of the Board the present Year, Report progress

Agreeably to a Vote of the Board at the last Meeting, the Standing Committee on Night Carts, Report the following for Publication,,

In Board of Health, Decemr 7th 1807.

Of Vaults &c

Voted, as the opinion of this Board, That the Winter season, is most proper for Cleaning Necessarys, for the following reasons. Viz. The Nights then being long, much more time, can be employed, consequently the Work can be afforded much lower, And secondly, the Nuisance produced by the Carts passing through the Streets will be much less, in Cold, than in warm weather, The Board are therefore determined, the present Winter, Rigidly to enforce the Regulation, respecting Necessarys, and that no one may plead ignorance of the Law, said Regulation is herewith Republished.

Regulation X.

,, The owners of Vaults, or Privies, and the occupiers of the house or houses, to which they belong, shall not permit the contents thereof to rise to within two feet of the surface of the earth; and when so found, such owner or occupier will be liable to prosecution, without any previous notice; and it shall not be lawful for any person to empty, or cause to be emptied, any vault, between the last day of May, and the first day of November, without license therefor from this Board,,

The Board therefore inform the inhabitants that the persons, employed to do said Work, have agreed for two dollars a Load, or eight cents a cubical foot, during the Months of December, January and February, it being but two thirds the price it can be done for at any other season of the Year The Board earnestly recommend

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Decem^{br} 7th to the Inhabitants generally, whose Vaults are not so full as to come within the meaning of the Regulation to have the same Cleaned as a Love; Whereby they will save the expense of having them done at a time when the price will be advanced fifty P^{r} Cent and also in a great degree prevent the disagreeable Effect occasioned thereby.

On Motion Voted, that the Report as now read be accepted, and that the Secretary be directed to publish the same for the Information of the Inhabitants.

An Inventory of a Trunk containing Apparel & certain other Articles belonging to Redman Cotter who had died on the 13th of Nov^{r} last at Rainsford Island being presented to the Board; it was Voted the same be committed to Cap^{t} Binney to take the Opinion of the Town Attorney, what ought to be done with it & to report at the next Meeting.

Voted that the Treasurer be Authorized to pay M^{r} John Pemmell for his services in the Market the present Year fifteen dollars.

On Motion Voted that the subject matter of M^{r} Dillaways Drain as stated by M^{r} Merriam, be Committed to the Committee on the School Street Sewer, and after examining the same, they find it done to their satisfaction; then if necessary they cause a draft on the Town Treasurer for the Amount of M^{r} Tileston's bill for making the drain. to be refunded when M^{r} Dillaway pays

Adjourned to this day fortnight
Monday the 21st Instant

Decem^{r} 21st At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day
Present Benj^{a} Russell Esq^{r} President
Messr^{s} Binney, Rhoades, Odin
Williams, Bellows, Merriam

The Committee Chosen to apply to the Quater Masters Dep^{t} Report progress

The Committee to draft an address to the Inhabitants reported progress ——

The Committee to consult with the Town Advocate and Judge of Probate Respecting Redman Coles Reported he had taken the Opinion of the above Gentlemen which was that there must be administration in Order to settle the Estate Legally —

Voted that the Report be Accepted.

On Motion Voted that Capt Binney be requested to Administer on the said Coles Estate & Report to the Board his doings thereon

Voted that the Committee for Removing the Nuisance in Cole Lane be Empowered to Apply the Abutters on the Common Sewer for the amount of the Expence attending the same. And that the President be Authorized to Issue his Order to the Messenger to Collect the same —

Voted that the Secretary Notify by an Advertisment all persons who have any demands on the Board of Health to bring in their Accounts for Settlement before the first day of March next, as they will not be allowd after that time

Voted that the President be requested to give Joseph Sanders and Others Employd to Remove Nuisances and Empt Necessaries. a Certificate to Show their Appointment by the Board for that Business —

Adjourned to this day fortnight

Monday Jany 4th 1808

Cole Lane
Common Sewer

Agreeably to the above Vote. The Committee Made the following Assessment

In Board of Health Boston Decem 21. 1807

Ordered, That to defray the Expenses arising from the removal of certain Nuisances in Cole Lane, the following Individuals, on whose premises Nuisances were found, be assessed in the Sums following. viz.

Mr Isaac White for One House —	$25.00
James Lyons Esq" One Ditto —	25.00
Mr Colo C. Howe — One Ditto —	25.00

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Amount brought over		$375.00
Mr Andrew Dewell one House		25.00
Edw^d Frey Esq^r	two Ditto	50.00
Mr Joshua Hall	One Ditto	25.00
Mr Tho^s Holt	One Ditto	25.00
Mr Andrew Foguith	One Ditto	25.00
John Lucas Esq^r	One Ditto	25.00
Mr^s Frazier	One Ditto	25.00
Mr William Welsh	One Ditto	25.00
Mr Wm P. Greenwood	One Ditto	25.00
Mr Tho^s K. Thomas	One Ditto	25.00
Cap^t Jn^o Barnard	One Ditto	25.00
Mr Eben^r Wells	One Ditto	25.00
Col^o Amos Bond	One Ditto	25.00
Mr Wm White & Mr Newell	One Ditto	25.00
Miss Bell	One Ditto	25.00
William Allen Esq^r	One Ditto	25.00
Mess^rs Jos^h & James Yeo	One Ditto	25.00
		$525.00

Which they will pay to Mr William Phillips Messenger of the Board agreeably to Law

By Order of the Board
Benj^n Russell Presid^t

A true Copy N. Greenough Sec^y

1808
Jan^y 4th Monday; A quorum not attending there was no Board formed this day and there being no perticul business to do the Meeting was dispensed with: and by Order of the Weekly Committee the Secretary was directed to Notify a Meeting this day fortnight

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Jan^y 18th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day
Present Benj^n Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Binney, Odin, Larkin, Freeman, Tuttle, Hutchings & Meriam

Cap^t Binney Reported he had taken out a Letter of Administration on Redman Cotters Estate and the business was in train for settlement

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Jan^{y} 12th Upon which it was Voted, That the Administrator be directed to pay to the Island Keeper Mr Tho^{s} Spear, the ballance in his Hands after the Expense of Administration was deducted. ——

The Committee Appointed to form an address to the Town, Reported progress. and where requested to Meet on Wednesday next at this Office at 6 O Clock P.M.

On Motion Voted. Mr Merriam Binney & Larkin be a Committee to investigate the report of Mr Shute respecting Boyle Saunders Employed by the Board. and to take Measures therein as they may think proper. ——

Voted, That the President be Authorized to make a Draft on the Town Treasurer in favour of Sundry persons whose Accounts have this day been past by the Committee on Accounts and Approved by the Board viz Mr Elisha Wood for Work as by his bill of 1st March. 3 for Thirty two dollars. In favour of Mr Andrew Townsend for his bill of July 6th & 22^{d} Oct 1807 for Sixteen dollars & $\frac{43}{100}$. In favour of Mess^{rs} Young & Mimms — for Advertising from 9th April to 16th Nov^{r} 1807 five dollars & $\frac{25}{100}$. In favour of Mess^{rs} Colton & Marston for Painting as by bill of 14th July 1807 Eight dollars & $\frac{95}{100}$. In favour of Col^{o} Rob^{t} Gardner for his bill of Prosecutions May 1807 Seven dollars & $\frac{35}{100}$. ——

Voted. That the Messenger be directed to Collect the Money Charged in Col^{o} Gardners bill of Mess^{rs} Gragg & Eastis Hop Pap^{r} Mills. —

Voted, That a Committee be Appointed to settle the Accounts of the Board, with the Commonwealth. The President Mr Larkin & Capt Binney were Appointed.

Voted, That Capt Hutching & Mr Inman be added to the Standing Committee on Accounts, to Examine and Arrange for publication the Accounts of the Board for the Year past. —

Voted that when the Board Adjourn they Adjourn to this day fortnight.

Voted, to Adjourn to Monday the first day of Feb^{y} next. —

1808
Jan^{y} 18th Agreeably to the above Vote, the President this day drew on the Town Treasurer as follows; whose bills are on file. viz^{t}

In favour of Elisha Wood for	$32.00
In favour of Andrew Townsend	16.43
In favour of Mess^{rs} Young & Mimms	5.25
In favour of Mess^{rs} Colton & Marston	8.95
In favour of Col^{o} Rob^{t} Gardner	7.35 $69.98

1803 Jan.y 29th At a Special Meeting of the Board of Health,
This day. Present, Benj.n Russell Esq.r President.

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Odin, Parkin, Williams, Tuttle, Hutchings

The Committee appointed to draft an Address to the Town relative the proceedings of the Board the Year past, their doings; which being read from the chair, and amended, it was Voted that the Report be accepted and Signed first by the President and by the other Members according to the Seniority of their Standing in the Board, and published in the Papers Employed by the Board.

Voted that the Committee who Reported the address; Superintend the Publishment; That it be recorded and the Members sign their names to it in the book.

Adjourned to Monday next

The Board of Health of Boston
To their Constituents. Boston January 18

The season of apprehension from wasting sickness having passed away, the Board cannot omit congratulating their fellow-citizens on the preservation of the Town during the year which has expired, from every appearance of pestilential, malignant or enemic disease. Ascribing this continued exemption to the protecting favor of Divine Providence; but conscious that without human prudence and cleanliness the blessing would not be deserved, the Board consider it not an intrusive duty to acquaint their constituents of the Measures adopted to insure the favor; that if found beneficial they may be continued, if defective, be amended.

Those Measures embraced External and Internal Regulations, calculated, with the favour of Heaven, to preclude the introduction of Pestilence from abroad; and to prevent its local origin.

The Regulations designed to operate Externally, consisted in such a quarantine and Purification of Vessels, as were deemed requisite to effect the first object of the Board—the preservation of

the town from disease: their second object being to give every facility to commerce compatible with such preservation. All vessels arriving from ports within the tropics, from the West Indies generally, and from all ports or places where the Board had knowledge of the existence of disease, were held liable to quarantine. As a general Regulation, the quarantine commenced on the 25th May, and terminated with the 26th October: But the ports in the Island of Cuba of Savannah in Georgia and Charleston in South-Carolina, having been declared sickly, the quarantine on vessels from thence was extended to the 1st November. In addition to the above, the Board has directed that vessels on board which any person shall have been sick, during its homeward voyage, of malignant or contagious disease shall be liable to quarantine at all times of the year. It having been ascertained, that the desolating scourge of many of our towns, the Yellow Fever, may exist in the human constitution Twenty Five days before its existence is apparent, the period of quarantine embraced Twenty-five days from the departure of vessels from a designated port: And where the voyage of a vessel from such port had been longer than twenty-five days, a detention of seventy two hours was deemed necessary for her examination and purification.

The Board are happy in stating, that the Laws of Quarantine have been faithfully executed, and duly respected by all subjected to their operation. Only one deviation reached the knowledge of the Board; and that was prosecuted to conviction. In the execution of their Regulations the Board respectfully acknowledge the prompt and efficient aid of the Collector of the Customs, and the Commanding-Officer of Fort Independence. The Visiting Physician, and Persons employed by the Board in the execution of the quarantine Laws, at Rainsford Island, have discharged their important duties with fidelity to the town, and to the ease and comfort of those subjected to quarantine: And the Pilots of the port, whose duty, by law, it is, to aid in the execution of the Regulations of the Board have, with one or two exceptions, satisfactorily performed their duty. ——

It may not be improper here to add, that part of the expenses of the Board are defrayed by a tax of Ten dollars on vessels from foreign ports, and five dollars on vessels from domestic ports, quarantined.

The Internal Regulations have been such as were best

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calculated in the opinion of the Board, speedily to remove all Nuisances; and to prevent of notable, their existence, by applying the Regulation to the sources of nuisances where known or suspected to exist. To prevent visible sources the Board contracted with two reputable citizens to remove from the streets lanes and yards in the respective Wards, all filth and putrid substances, and such as were considered liable to produce putridness. Nine Carts, for this purpose, were contracted for: And the Committee who superintended that department reported, that the Contractors, and their servants had executed the duties imposed upon them with fidelity. — And the Board felt no reluctance to a comparison of the Streets of Boston for cleanliness, with those of any other capital in the United States. To effect the design of the Board with all due economy, contracts were advertised for, and the lowest terms embraced. Three-hundred and fifty dollars per cart, were given, for the season; amounting to 3150 dollars. This amount exceeds, in a small sum, that which accrued in the Scavengers department the last year? But this duly in that department had augmented with the increase of population, and by the addition of Market Square, which, prior to the last year was in the care of the Board of Selectmen; and which has annually cost the Town. to sweep and keep clean, nearly four hundred dollars. — It may be observed here, that the difficulty the contractors have had in finding suitable places to deposit the substances collected, has augmented the terms of their contracts.

To remove those nuisances which are occasioned by waste water passing over the surface of the streets, the Board have found it indispensable to execute the laws with apparent rigor; and individuals have, in consequence been subjected to heavy expences. — During the past year many of these nuisances have been removed by sinking drains and common sewers; and though individuals have complained of the severity of the measure, the Boards are well assured of the public satisfaction. Other measures to render the air pure and salubrious, have not been neglected; and the general cooperation of the citizens in their execution has made the duty of the Board, in this particular, pleasing, though arduous.

The annual Exhibit of the expenses of the Board will be published at the usual period.

With their best exertions to perpetuate the exemption of the Town from disease, the Board offer their prayers,

that the regulation for Health may be so modified and recognized in Europe, as to make its vessels an exception from the severe quarantine so frequently imposed on all American Navigation.

Benj. Russell
Eben Larkin
Nath Merriam
Edward Stokes
John Odin
Wm F Hutchings
Daniel Tuttle
John Bellows
Jacob Rhoades
Rob Williams
Amos Binney
S. Freeman

Monday February 1st 1808 A quorum not attending there was no Board formed this day, and there being no particular business it was dispensed with. by Order of the Weekly Committee the next Meeting is to be this day fortnight

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Monday February 15th 1808 a Quorum not attending this day. and there being no special summons, the Committee of the Week, Ordered a Meeting this day fortnight

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At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day. Present Benj Russell Esq President

Mr Rhoades	Williams
Stokes	Tuttle
Larkin	Hutchings
Freeman	Bellows

The Committee chosen at the Meeting, to examine & investigate

1808
Feb'y 29th The Complaint against Joseph Sanders by Mr Tuttle. Made the following Report viz. That they have attended that duty and find the Said Sanders, has been extremely Culpable in disobeying the express Orders of Mr Tuttle — And Order that he cause the Hood of Mr Amorys Necessary to be immediately repaired, he paying for the same, That he make an Acknowledgment to Mr Tuttle Mr Amory & Col. Bradford and ask the pardon of each of those Gentlemen, for his ill treatment to them, and that he be allowed, Twenty six dollars only of his bill instead of Forty, he has charged, And that he be severely reprimanded by the Chairman of the Committee, and informed that if ever he is found guilty of a similar Offence, he will be immediately discharged from Office. All which is submitted. —

Voted to accept the above Report —

The Committee Chosen to Settle the Accounts of the Board with the Commonwealth Reported they had attended to that business and left the Accounts with the Committee of the House to be passed and allowed —

Voted that the Regulation respecting the price of removing the filth of Vaults, be extended to the last of March next.

Voted that it is expedient that the drain which runs into the Town Dock from Dock Square be thoroughly Cleansed.

Voted that Messrs Merriam, Larkin & Rhoades be a Committee to see this business completed

Voted that Capt Williams, Hutchings & Staples be a Committee to Examine the Accounts of the Treasurer & Secretary for the Year past.

Voted that a Committee be appointed to report a form for Wards to make returns of Clerks & Members for the Board of Health chosen in them — Messrs Larkin, Russell & Williams were appointed

Voted that a Committee be appointed to report at the next Meeting if any and if any what addition shall be Made to the Salaries of Secretary & Messenger for the Year past. — Messrs Williams, Tuttle & Freeman were appointed —

1802
Feb^{y} 29th Voted that the Assessment for the Common Sewer in Cole Lane be recommitted to the Committee on Trial Bounds to report at the next Meeting

Voted that the Committee on the School Street Common Sewer take measures to bring the business to a close

Voted to adjourn to this day fortnight.

Monday the 14th March

March 14th 11 A.M. Meeting of the Board of Health
this day Present Benj^{a} Russell, Esq^{r} President

Mess^{rs} Binney, Rhoades, Staples } { Sparhawk, Williams, Bellows & Merriam

The Committee on the Common Sewer leading into the Town dock Reported the business was progressing ——

The Committee on the Common Sewer in Cole Lane Reported that they had attended the business assigned them and the Messengers now Collecting the Assessments of the said Common

The Committee appointed to Report a Form for the Wards Returns of Clerks & Members for the Board of Health Reported Progress ——

Report on Secretary & Messr Salaries —

The Committee appointed to consider if any addition be made to the Secretary & Messengers Salaries. Having attended to the same, beg leave to Report; That altho it appears to your Committee, that the business of both Secretary and Messenger has been increased the Year past, Yet from the General stagnation of business. Thus Report that no additional grant be made them at this time.

Voted, to accept the Report of the Committee

The Committee on School Street Common Sewer reported progress

Voted, to allow the following bills passed by the Committee on Accounts viz Benj^{a} Russell Esq^{r} For printing Laws, Regulations &c for the Year 1801 as per contract $26.00 Mess^{rs} Adam & Rhoades for fifty Pounds dollars. Mess^{rs} Russell & Cutler for Subscriptions twenty dollars & 50 Cents

1808
March 14 The Bartletts bill of Expenses for Cleaning be Said Thirty Eight dollars and 57 Cents. Tho Stevenson. Lieu Joy. Charles Wade & Amos Lewis ——— Constables bills as p bill for Notifying Wards & Five dollars and 75 Cents. & C. Parkins bill of Stationery as p bill $13.25 — Whereon together One Hundred Twenty three dollars & Seven cents Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the said bills out of the Monies in his hands —

Voted that a Committee be raised to Investigate the Complaint Made by Capt Rhoades of the abuse given him by Henry Lienow. whom he Ordered to remove a Nuisance. and the Committee if they think proper to prosecute him to final Judgment. Capt Rhoades Capt Binney Capt Staples were Appointed for this business —

Voted that the Treasurer of this Board, receive the Money allowed by the Selectmen in a Draft on the Town Treasurer in favour of the Board of Health, for Extra Work done by Mr Bridge Superintendent of Scavengers; and that the Treasurer pay unto that sum the Committee Chosen to take into consideration Mr Bridges Extra Services. May see fit to give him

Messrs Merriam, Bellows, & Parkin. The Committee chosen

Voted that Mr Parkin be added to the Committee for arranging the Accounts of the Board the Year past for Publication

Voted to Adjourn to Monday Next 11 O. Clock

Adjourned Accordingly Monday 21st inst.

March 21st At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Thos Russell Esq President

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Parkin — Williams, Tuttle, Hutchings, Bellows & Merriam

The Committee appointed to Examine the Books and Accounts of the Treasurer & Secretary, Made the following report viz

Boston. March 18th 1808 The Subscribers a Committee of the Board of Health have this day Examined the Books and Accounts of

the Secretary of said Board and find that since the last settlement of Accounts in January 1807 the said Secretary has received Nineteen Hundred and Nine dollars & 25 Cents. Which sum he has paid to the Treasurer as by his receipts. They have also Examined the Accounts of the Treasurer, and find he has received Six Hundred & Thirty Eight dollars & 45 Cts of the Town Treasurer as by Drafts the 5th Jan'y & 30th March 1807 and of the Secretary Nineteen Hundred & Nine dollars 25 Cts. Also of J.M. Turney by the hand of the Secretary fifteen dollars for an Assessment on Daniel Warners drain. Making together Twenty five Hundred & Eighty two dollars and 70 Cents. And that he has paid as by Receipts & Vouchers Twenty four Hundred & fifty four dollars & 99 Cents. And that there is a balance in the Treasurer's hands of One Hundred & Seven dollars & 71 Cents. Rob't Williams. W. Ladeling. E. Staples. Committee

Voted to Accept the Report of the Committee

The Committee Appointed to prepare a Form to send to the Wards for the Return of Clerks and Members chosen for the Board of Health, Made the following Report viz —

Boston, April 180 .

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Ward No , qualified to vote for Town Officers, held in agreeably to notification,

was chosen Clerk of said Ward, for the ensuing year, by a Majority of the voters present.

Certified by } Existing Member of the Board of Health

(In case of the absence of a Member of the Board, then the Certificate to be signed by) } Committee of said Ward

Boston, April 180 .

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Ward N° qualified to vote for Town Officers, held in agreeably to notification

was chosen to be a Member of the Board of Health of said town, for the year ensuing; and has accepted the trust.

Certified by

To the President of the Board of Health } Clerk of said Ward

1802
March 21st

Voted. The report of the Committee be accepted ——

Voted, That 200 Hundred Copys of the Blanks for the returns of Clerks & Members be printed under the direction of the President

Voted, that Mr Larkin be a Committee to request mr Nathl & Mr Crooker to find a place for Ward N°6 to Meet in for Choice of Member of Board of Health

Voted, That the Notification as Just read be published in all the Newspapers viz

Health office, Boston, March 21st 1802.

Notification.

The Freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Boston qualified to vote for Town Officers, are hereby notified to meet on Wednesday the 6th day of April, ensuing, at 4. O Clock in the afternoon, at the following Places, viz —

In Ward N°1, In Christ Church,
N°2, In the 1st Methodist Chapple
N°3, In the 2d Baptist Meet.g House
N°4 In Faneuil Hall
N°5 In West Boston School house Hawkins Street
N°6 At Holmans Tavern Cambr.e Street
N°7 on the State House floor
N°8 In the Rev.d Mr Emmerson Meet.g House
N°9 In the Rev.d Mr Channing, Ditto
N°10 In the Rev.d Dr Kirkland, Ditto
N°11 In West End School House
N°12 In Rev.d Dr West Meeting House

Then and there to choose, in each Ward one able and discreet person being a freeholder, and resident in the Ward for which he shall be chosen to be a Member of the Board of Health for the year ensuing

By Order of the Board

Attest N Freeman Secretary

Benj.a Pickman President

Voted, that the President be the Committee for Publishing the above

The Committee appointed to take into Consideration the opinion of Mr J. Bridge the year past. Report that they have taken the same into consideration and are of

1808
March 21st Opinion that he ought to be allowed the Compensation against the Selectmen as far as they approve of the same
Voted to accept the Report of the Committee ——
Capt Rhoades one of the Committee on the Select Men Common Sewer, Reported he had waited on Mr Bradlee Scott for his Assessment and informed the Board he had the Evening of night last till Mr Colin (who he thought had settled it) Came to town. ——
Voted that the further Consideration of this business be postponed to the next Meeting. ——

Adjourned to Monday next

1808
March 28th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benj Russell Esq President
Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Larkin, Williams, Freeman, Little, Hutchings, Merriam

Voted. That the Bills of Messrs Oliver & Munroe Bp. for Printing Blank Notifications & Mr J Copeland Constable of 28 for Notifying Ward No 12 as pr ask by the Committee on Accounts be allowed and paid by the Treasurer ——
The Committee on the Cole Lane Common Sewer Reported. there was a balance due Mr Tilston of Twenty two dollars which he greatly wanted but could not be collected at present but when Received would be paid to the Treasurer
Voted That the Board assume the balance due Mr Tilston and that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer in favor of Capt J Rhoades to pay it.
Voted that a Draft on the Town Treasurer be made in favor of the Secretary of the Board for One Hundred & fifty dollars. Also in favor of the Messenger for One Hundred dollars for his Quarters Salary. Also in favor of the Treasurer of

1801
March 22 The Board $24.16 to pay Sundry bills passed and allowed.

The Committee chosen to Examine Warrance the Accounts of the Board the year past for publication Report the following viz

Health Office Boston March 22d 1801

The Committee of the Board of Health, appointed to report on the Receipts and Expenses of the Board for the Year past, present the following Exhibit, viz

Dr Quarantine Cr

To Visiting Physician Salary	$350	00	By Cash for Vessels Quarantined		
" Island Keepers Ditto	350	00	" Certificates for Vessels Examined, permits to visit Rainsford Island &c	1909	25
" Boatmens Wages	220	00			
" Island Keeper for board of two boatmen	144	00			
" Cash for State poor	249	00	" Cash from State Treasurer for States Poor Sick at the Island	595	12
" Island Keeper for Ditto	346	12			
" Bartlett for Materials for Cleansing Vessels	38	57			
" Refreshment Ordered for the Soldiers of Fort Independence in Compliment for their Attention and aid in Execut Health laws	34	50	" Balance carried to the General Account	741	20
" Island Fuel & Incid Expenses	70	67			
" Expenses of Sundry Visits to Rainsford Island	392	21			
" Printing & Stationery	50	50			
	$3245	57		$3245	57

Dr General Account Cr

To Balance of Quarantine Ac't	$741	20	By Balance of last Year in the Hands of the Treasurer	$	60
" Scavengers Contracts including Repair of 9 Carts the Year	3270	47	" Sundry Drafts on the Town Treasurer	5533	40
" Secretary Salary	600	00			
" Messengers Ditto	400	00			
" J. Fanmell Service in the Market	15	00			
" Incidental Expences of Office	53	44			
" Constables for Warning Meetings &c	24	75			
" Seidmore & Bell's bill for Burying a Stranger &c	15	50			
" Drains & Common Sewers Part of which is to be Repaid	153	60			
" Printing & Stationery	71	50			
" Repairing Wharfs &c	188	63			
	$5534	9		$5534	

Read, and unanimously accepted, and Ordered to be printed in the Newspapers.

By Order of the Board
Benj.ª Russell, President

Attest N. Greenough Secretary

Voted That a Committee of three be chosen to publish the Report with proper remarks & Observations Messrs. Russell Parker & Hitchings was Appointed.

In addition to the above the Committee reported, that there had been paid into the county Treasury, a fine of One Hundred dollars; and into the Town Treasury, two fines amounting to fifteen dollars; which is passed to the credit of the Board: — And that the expense of cleaning the Market, during the last year, deducted on the Board; which increased the expenses of the Scavengers Department.

Voted That the above Committee (Messrs Russell Parker & Hitchings) be authorized to call on the Town & County Treasurers for the fines recovered & paid them for Violation of Quarantine & other Regulations.

Voted That when the Board adjourn they adjourn without day. unless called together by the Special Order of the President

Adjourned Accordingly

March 25th Agreeably to the Above Vote the President this day draw on the Town Treasurer as follows viz. —

In favor of the Treasurer of the Board for		$24.16
In ditto of Capt Jacob Rhoades	for	22.00
In ditto of N. Greenough	for	150.00
In ditto of Wm. Phillips	for	100.00
		$296.16

1808

Boston April 2d 1808 —

The Clerks of all the Wards except No 1. having reported to the President of the Board of Health for the time being, The Choice of Gentlemen who had Accepted the trust to serve as Members of the Board for the Ensuing Year viz

In Ward No 1. Capt Amos Binney. In Ward No 2 Capt Jacob Rhoades

3. Capt Edw[d] Naples. No 11 William Holmes

5. Wm Elis[a] Sigourney. 6. Mr James Ridgeway

7. Benj[a] Russell, Esq[r]. 8 Capt Rob[t] Williams

9. Mr Sam[l] Mattle. 10 Mr Sam[l] May

10. Dea[n] Daniel Bates. 12. Mr Jere[h] Gore Jun[r]

B. Wm Holmes
Not accepted & returned
back his Warrant

The same were Severally Notified to meet at the Health-Office in Faneuil Hall on Saturday the Ninth Instant at 12. O Clock

New Board

Saturday, April 9th 1808

The Members returned from Several Wards Met agreeably to Notification at the Health Office at 12 O'Clock.

Benj[a] Russell, Esq[r] as President for the time being took the Chair,

On Motion Voted that the Returns from the Wards be committed to a Committee of three to examine; if made agreeably to Law; The President. Capt Binney & Capt Williams were chosen for this purpose who reported them correct.

It being Moved that the Board proceed to the Choice of a President for the ensuing Year.

Voted that a Committee of three be chosen to Collect sort & Examine the Votes for the President. Capt Williams, Capt Binney & Mr May were appointed. The Votes being collected the committee Reported that the whole Number of votes were 11. of which Benj[a] Russell, Esq[r] had Ten and was Chosen; Having declared in a Short but polite address his Acceptance. The Votes for a Secretary where called for

Voted that the same committee that collected the Votes for the President Receive and count them for the Secretary. The Committee reported that the whole Number were Eleven D[r] McNath Greenough had Nine and is Chosen.

April 4th 1808

The President then administered to him the Oath of office of which the following is a Record.

I, Nath[l] Greenough, do swear to make a faithfull record of all the votes, proceedings, and regulations of the Board of Health; and faithfully perform all the Duties incumbent on me as Secretary of the said Board, during my continuance therein. So help me God.

Nath. Greenough.

Sworn before me

Benj[n] Russell, President of the Board of Health.

It was then Moved that the Messenger be appointed by nomination: Mr William Phillips was Nominated & the Motion being put, it was, Voted, that he be Messenger of the Board for the ensuing year.

The following Rules and Orders for the government of the Board were adopted, viz:

Art 1st

There shall be a stated Meeting of the Board every Monday to Commence at 11 OClock the 18th Instant until the first week in October, and once a fortnight the remainder of the year. Seven Members shall be necessary to form a Board.

Art 2d

In the absence of the President a President pro tem shall be appointed.

Art 3

The Members shall take their seats at the Board in Numerical order the Member of Ward N°1 on the right hand and the Member of Ward N°12 on the left hand of the President.

Art 4

In all debates the Speaker shall address the President and there shall be no Interruption of a Member speaking Except to call him to Order.

Art 5

April 4th 1811 The Majority of Votes of the Members present shall be Considered as the Act of the Board: But any Member may enter his dissent to any measure on the Records of the Board and no Vote shall be reconsidered by a less Number than there were present when the same was passed

Art 6.

No Member of the Board shall withdraw himself without leave from the President.

Art 7.

An Inviolable Secresy, shall be observed by the Members of the Manner of all persons Entering complaints.

Art 8.

Punctuality, as to the time of Meeting of the Board, shall be Strictly observed; and no person other than the Officers of the Board shall be admitted during its deliberations.

Art 9.

The Board, shall be divided into Committees of Three each, to be Styled the Weekly Committee of the Board of Health the Members of Which shall sit daily in Rotation and during their continuance in office, shall have power to carry into Execution, all the Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Board; Shall make Records of their proceedings for the General inspection; and when ever they Judge it Necessary, call Special Meetings of the Board.

Art 10.

No Member, shall be obliged to serve on more then Two Committees, Excepting the Weekly Committee unless all the Members are on that Number.

Voted, That a Committee of Three be Appointed to consider and Report, regulations for Preventing, and Removing Nuisances. Mess^rs Russell, Binney & Sigourney, were appointed.

Quarantine Com: Voted that Mess^rs Russell. Staples & Sigourney be a Committee to Report regulations, for the Quarantine of Vessels.

April 6th 1801

Committee on Accounts

Voted, That Capt Williams, Mr May, Capt Binney, be a committee on Accounts for the Ensuing Year.

Voted, That the Secretary be authorized to contract with the Printers of the Columbian Centinel & Independent Chronicle, to Advertise for the Board the ensuing year — and to Inform the other Printers of News Papers that the Board will allow only Ten dollars per annum for the Publication of their Advertisements; unless when they have special Orders for the same

Committee on Scavengers Department

Voted, That Mess^r Rhoades, Snelle & Gore be a Committee to Report on the Measures Necessary to be adopted for the Scavengers Department. —

Voted That the Board be divided into four Weekly Committees agreeably to the Ninth Regulation of Rules and Orders of the Board as follows

Committee N^o 1. (Wards)			Committee N^o 2.
Capt Amos Binney	N^o 1	N^o 2	Capt Jacob Rhoades
Mr James Ridgeway	6	5	Mr Elisha Sigourney
Mr Daniel Snelle	9	10	Mr Samuel May

Committee N^o 3.			Committee N^o 4
Capt Edw^d Staples	N^o 3	N^o 4	Mr William Homes
Benj^a Russell Esq^r	7	8	Capt Rob^t Williams
Lieu^t Daniel Bates	11	12	Mr Jeremiah Gore jun^r

Voted, Unanimously that Benj^a Russell, Esq^r be Treasurer of the Board for the Ensuing Year. —

Voted That Mess^rs Sigourney, Ridgeway & May, be Committee to Ascertain what Money it will be Necessary for the Town to Raise for the Use of the Board the Ensuing Year —

Voted, That the Subject of the Salarys of the Officers of the Board, be committed, to the Consideration of the above Committee viz Mess^rs Sigourney, Ridgeway & May.

Voted, That the Several Committees now appointed be directed to Report, at the Next Meeting —

Voted, That the Board, Adj^n to Monday the 12 Inst^t

April 18th 1808 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benjamin Rufsell Esqr President

Messrs Binney	Ridgeway
Rhodes	Williams
Staples	Tuttle
Sigourney	May. & Bates

The Committee chosen to draw up Regulations for preventing and Removing Nuisances Reported.

At Board of Health, Boston April 18th 1808

Ordered, That the following Regulations for preventing and removing Nuisances, have the force of Laws. from & after Monday the 25th day of April, current:

Of House Dirt, &c

Art. 1st No person or persons shall be allowed to throw or bring into any Street, Square, Lane or alley, any dirt, filth or sweepings of any kind, or any dead animal substance, between the 10th day of May, and the 10th day of November ensuing: But all such dirt, filth, sweepings or animal substance, shall be deposited in tight vessels, and kept in some convenient situation for the drivers of the Scavengers cartts to take away. Nor shall any person be allowed to cast any dead animals, vegetable substance or sweepings of any vessel, into any docks, the Mill Pond, or any other place between the channel and the shore; not to land the the same, or any foul and infected ballast, or other substance, on any wharf, or landing place within the town.

Waste Water

Art 2d The owners of Houses, Buildings, or Lanes, shall cause all Waste water from their premises to be conveyed from cellars, yards, sinks, pumps and vacant lands, through drains, under ground, to Common sewers: or to such reservoirs sunk under ground, to receive the same, as a Committee of this Board shall approbate.

Vaults, Privies, &c

Art. 3d The owners, of Vaults, or Privies, and the occupiers of the House or Houses, store or stores, to which they belong:

or are attached, shall not permit the contents of such vaults, or privies to rise within two feet of the surface of the earth; and if such contents are found with-in two feet of such surface, the Owner or owners, occupier, or occupiers may be prosecuted without previous notice. Nor shall any vault, or privy, be emptied, between the first day of June, and the first day of November, without a permit, and by persons authorized by this Board, for that purpose.

Stable Manure.

Art. 4th. The owners, or occupiers, of Livery, and other Stables, shall not permit more than two cartloads of Manure to accumulate and remain, in or near their stables at any one time, between the first day of May, and the first day of November.

Market Stalls.

Art. 5th. Persons occupying Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market-house, the Market place and Dock-Square, shall daily in the morning during the Months of June, July, August, September and October, wash and cleanse their respective Stalls:—They shall not permit any heads, feet, or offals of dead animals, or vegetables of any kind, to remain in or about their Stalls over night:—They shall take up and remove the platforms of their respective Stalls, on the first day June, and shall not replace them until the first day of November ensuing; during which period no meat, of any kind, shall be exposed in the market, or any other place within the town, excepting in Stalls, carts, or other vehicles, which shall be covered, from the rays of the sun.—

Graves, Cemeteries &c.

Art. 6th. All graves which may be dug within the town, for the interment of the dead, shall be at least six feet deep from the original surface of the earth: And the proprietors of Churches under which dead bodies are deposited, shall cause at least three bushels of good Stone Lime, to be slackened in the cemeteries of each church, on the first & fifteenth of July, August, and September.

Of Swine

April 12th 1808 Art 7th Swine shall not be kept within the limits of the Town by any person, without a licence from this Board, and such person giving Bonds to keep his hog or hogs clean, and in situations which will not be offensive to the neighbourhood.

Fresh Fish

Art 8th All fish before brought into this town, shall have been first gutted, and the fish made clean. Fresh fish shall not be offered for sale, between the first day of May and the fifteenth day of October, after 8 o'clock in the Morning; unless kept in covered stalls, fish boxes, or other Houses, situated over the salt water:—And Fresh Fish offered for sale in the streets, Before the first day of May, and after the fifteenth day of October, before 2 o'clock in the Morning, shall be kept clean, in carts, barrows, &c which are covered

Salmon and Small Fish

Art 9. Salmon, Shad, Bass, Mackerel, Tautoug, Eels, Flounders, Tomcods, Smelts, and other small fish may be sold, at all times, in any part of the town, provided they are kept secure from the rays of the sun; but the venders thereof will be held answerable for any nuisance created thereby,

☞ It is to be understood, that Salmon, Bass, and other fresh fish, brought to town by sea, may be sold, and landed therein when cleansed of their entrails; which entrails are to be kept on board in tight vessels and removed beyond low water mark once in every twenty-four hours.

Oysters and Lobsters

Art. 10th Oysters and Lobsters shall not be brought into, offered for sale, or kept in possession of any person within the Town, from the 5th day of July to the 1st day of September At all other times Oysters may be sold as usual:—but Lobsters shall not be exhibited for sale at any time, or in any place, excepting on the several Bridges, Wharves, and Ferryways, and at the Town Dock; and persons selling them there will be held answerable for any nuisance occasioned thereby.

Feathers, Rags &c.

Art 11. Feathers, old or new, shall not be landed, or brought within the limits of the Town, between the first day of May, and the first day of November without a permit from this Board. Nor shall any feather, or other beds, bedding, clothing, or rags, be landed, or brought into this Town, from any place where any contagious disorder doth, or hath recently prevailed, unless by permission of this Board.

The Mill Pond.

Art 12th. The water of the Mill Pond shall not be drawn off so as to leave the surface of any part of the bottom thereof bare, between the Fifteenth day of June, and the first day of October, without a permit from this Board.

As the above Regulations are deemed to be essential to the preservation of the health of the Town it is the determination of the Board rigidly to prosecute all violations of them; and as heavy penalties are by law attached to the breach of any or either of them, they request their constituents to cause the Regulations to be read to their domesticks: and to assist the Board in enforcing their due execution. Complaints of any breaches thereof, or any neglect or inattention in any persons employed or licensed by the Board, are solicited; and those who complain, may rely on inviolable secrecy.

Read and Unanimously passed.

Benjamin Russell, President.

Nath[l] Greenough, Secretary.

Voted, That the foregoing Regulations as amended be adopted.

Voted. That the President be a Committee to Superintend and publish the same.

Voted, That one Hundred copys of the above Regulations be printed for the use of the Board.

Voted, That the Committee on Quarantine have permission to sit again.

Voted That the Report of the Committee on Salarys,

April 12th 1808 Lay on the table, and that all Unfinished business be return-
to the next meeting
Voted, that the Board Adjourn to Monday next

April 25th 1808 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day
Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Homes, Sigourney, Ridgeway
Williams, Tuttle, May, Boles, Bore

Mr William Homes having been Reported by the Clerk of Ward
Four as a Member Chosen for the Board of Health for said
Ward, and having been Notified by the President; Appear-
-ed and took his seat at the Board according to Order.—
On Motion voted that the word and be dele'd, and the word of
inserted in the Fifth Article fourth line of the Regulations for prevent-
-ing and removing Nuisances passed the 18th Instant.—
The Committee on the Scavengers department agreeable
to request, Recommend Uniting the Northern & Southern
districts under the Inspection of one person and reducing
the Carts from nine to six and think it may be Necessary to
add one to the Number during July. August and September
Your Committee think if those Measures are adopted a Consid-
erable saving may be made, and the Streets kept as free from
filth, as at any former season.—— They also Report. they
had ordered the Carts &Harness repaired
Voted that the Board approve & Accept the doings of the
Committee.
Voted, that a Committee of Three be chosen to Advertise for a
Contractor to perform the Scavengers duty for the Town the
ensuing season. And that the Committee be authorized to
Contract on the best terms possible. Committe Messrs Sigourney. Rhoades
Voted, that Messrs Binney. Russell & May be a Committee

See the Advertisement in the Weekly Committee Book

Clerk

April 25 1808

Report a Regulation respecting Dirt, Shavings, Straw &c accumulating in Yards Cellars &c

The above Committee reported the following Regulation which was accepted and ordered to be published in two papers, also to be printed with the other Regulations for the use of the inhabitants.

In Board of Health, Boston, April 25th 1808

It is ordered, That whenever any Quantity of Dirt, Shavings, Straw, Animal Substances, or Filth of any kind, shall be found in any cellar, yard, or other premises; or be thrown into any Street, lane or alley; the owner or occupier of such cellar, yard, or other premises, where found; or the owner or occupier of the premises from whence such dirt, shavings, &c shall been removed, shall cause the same to be removed, at his or her expence, within four hours after notification, to such place as this Board, or any of its Members, shall direct, on pain of prosecution for neglect.

Voted That each Member in his respective Ward Enquire and examine if any Nuisance does; or is likely to arise from Filth, Provisions, Coffee, or Hides, and report at the Next Meeting

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed to Superintend the Drains & Common Sewer in Cornhill.

Committee on Drain & Common Sewer in Cornhill

Messrs Sigourney Binney & Russell were appointed.

Voted That a permit for Keeping Swine shall not be granted without Special permission of the Member in whose Ward they are to be kept.

Voted, That Capt Binney & Mr Homes be a Committee to contract for the Painting for the use of the Town) the Internal Health Regulations

Voted That this Board visit Rainsford Island on Wednesday next, and proceed from India Wharf at Six O. Clock A.M. precisely. Voted That Capt Binney Capt Rhoades & Mr Gore be a Committee to Notify Mr Spear and make Arrangements for the same

Voted That the President Dr Welch Captain Freeman & Dort

April 25th 1808 Independence. and the Secretary invite the Visitors Physicia
to accompany the Board.

The unfinished Business of the Meeting of the Ninth Inst
viz: the Report of the Committee on Quarantine of Vessels.
The Report of the Committee on the Salarys of the Officers of
the Board; and the Moneys it will be necessary for the Towns to
raise for the use of the Board the ensuing Year. and all
unfinished Business is referred to the next Meeting

Voted That when this Board adjourn they adjourn to meet
at India Wharf on Wednesday Morning next at Six o'Clock precisely
if Good weather

Adjourned Accordingly

April 27th Agreeably to the Note of the 25th Instant the Board
met on India Wharf. Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Homes, Sigourney
Ridgeway, Williams, Tuttle, May. Gore. & Bates

and proceeded to Rainsford Island. and at 3. P.M.
having perambulated the Island, agreed that it should
be divided agreeably to the Division established and
Marked out last Year, and that the same police be estab-
lished the Year ensuing; and that ..... the same
Vote which was passed the 3d Day of August 1807 should be
again adopted and pasted up in the House, for the Govern-
ment of all such as may be quarantined the current Year.
Voted to Adjourn to Monday Next then to Meet at the
Health Office in Boston. Adjourned accordingly

May 2d 1808

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Mess Binney	Ridgeway
Rhoades	Tuttle
Homes	May
Sigourney	Gore

Present Com Scavengers Dept.

The committee on the Scavengers Department Reports they have engaged Mr Jeremiah Bridge to perform the whole duly agreeably to the advertisement of the Board the 25 April last. for which he is to receive Three hundred thirty three dollars & thirty three cents per Cart for Six Carts for six Months and in proportion to the time employd for the seventh.

The contract Includes the whole of the Market outside the Market House.

Voted to Accept the Report of the Committee on the Scavengers department.

The Committee to Contract for the printing Internal Health Regulations reported their doings.

Voted, that the committee be instructed to have Five Thousand Copys printed for the use of the Inhabitans. Provided they can be done for Forty dollars.

The Members were severlly called on to Report the Quantity of Fish. Coffee. Hides & Provisions, in their Wards. as directed at the Meeting of 25th April last. The Members present reported which Reports where ordered to be Minuted in the Weekly Committee Book agreeably to the Returns of Wards No 1 & 4 (see Weekly book)

Voted that the Members be directed to Continue their inquirys and make record as above.

The committe on Quarantine Regulations reported.

Voted, that the Report of the Committee be read by sections.

Voted, that the Quarantine Regulations as amended and now read, be a Bopted for the Quarantine Regulations for Eighteen Hundred & Eight:

Voted, to accept as now read the Regulation, or Bellet to be

May 2 1808 given the Captain of Vessels on Quarantine.

Voted, That the President, Captain Binney & Mr Sigourney be a Committee to Superintend the publishment of the Quarantine Regulations.

In Board of Health, Boston May 2. 1808

Ordered, That the following Regulations for the Quarantine of vessels, and other purposes, be published for general information:

Art 1st Quarantine of Vessels.

Sec. 1. On and after the Twenty third day of May. current a Quarantine shall be had of all vessels, their officers, crews, passengers and cargoes, which shall come within the harbo of Boston from any of the West India Islands: from any port or place within the tropics, and from any port or place where contagious sickness doth or hath recently prevailed:— of all vessels on board of which any person shall have died of any disease or been sick during their homeward passage and of all vessels which in their homeward passages shall hav touched at any port or place within the tropics

Sec. 2 Vessels coming from ports or places beyond the Cape of Good Hope, though within the tropics, where no con-tagious or malignant diseases were known to be prevalent previous to their departure; and vessels from the Cape de Verd islands laden Wholly with Salt, are exempted from quarantine, until the further order of this Board.

Sec. 3 the quarantine above directed, shall be had near Rainsfo Island, under the direction of the Visiting Physician, and other officers of this Board: and shall continue on every vessel which has had Twenty two, or a less number of days passage until she shall have made up Twenty five, days from the day she left her last port. And on each vessel which has had Twenty three, or more days passage three, in addition to such passage, the Quarantine shall continue Seventy two hours. And on every vessel on board which, during

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his homeward passage any person shall have died (excepting from accident or casualty) the quarantine shall be extended to Twenty five days from the last death. And no vessel shall be considered as having commenced Quarantine, until she shall have been anchored in her proper station on Quarantine ground, as directed by the Visiting Physician, or other officers of this Board.

Sec. 4. The Masters, officers, crews and passengers of all vessels, when on Quarantine, shall be subject to the Regulations of this Board, and such others as may be adopted by the Visiting Physician. And the Master of each vessel shall be accountable, for the appearance on board such vessel, at the time she shall be discharged from Quarantine, of all and every person who arrived in her, or who may have been landed from her in any port of the United States, or put on board any other vessel, during her homeward passage, cases of death excepted

Sec. 5. In extraordinary cases the Committee of the Week is authorized to direct the above periods of Quarantine to be prolonged.

Sec. 6. Vessels not otherwise subject to Quarantine, having only small box on board, may be discharged whenever the Visiting Physician shall consider them free from infection.

Sec. 7. Masters of vessels on being discharged from Quarantine, shall deliver the certificates and flags they receive from the Visiting Physician at the Health office, Samuel Hall, within twenty four hours after having been discharged; and on receiving a Counter Certificate from the Secretary of this Board, to entitle such vessel to entry at the Custom House, shall pay Ten dollars

Sec. 8. When vessels have been quarantined, examined, attended and certified by the Visiting Physician and shall sail from Quarantine for any other port, the Masters shall, previous to sailing, pay ten dollars

Sec. 9. During the time a vessel shall be on Quarantine, on application made to this Board to permit the unlading and

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conveyance to town of any wine, rum, spirits, salt, sugar, molasses, ma-
hogany, dye-woods, manufactured Tobacco, preserved and other
fruits, and such other articles as shall be declared incapable
of receiving or conveying infection, and when permission to unload the same shall
have been obtained from the Custom House; it shall be lawful for
the Committee of the Week to authorize the Visiting Physician
of this Board, to permit such articles to be unladen from any Vessel
on Quarantine, and the same to be conveyed to town by Lighter men
duly licensed by this Board for that purpose.— And the Visiting
Physician shall grant a certificate thereof to be deposited in
the Health-office, for which twenty five cents shall be paid:—
And the Lighters to be employed in the transportation of such un-
infected articles shall, when unemployed, be moored off the South
east part of Rainsford's Island; and the Lightermen employed
therein, shall not be permitted to land in town, without the permis-
of the Visiting Physician

Art 2. Mediterraneen Vessels.

Sec. 1. The Masters of all vessels which on and after the Twen-
third day of May, current, until the further order of this Boa
shall arrive from any port or place within the Straights of
Gibraltar, shall carry and anchor such vessels on Quarantine
ground, where they shall be examined by the Visiting Physician
who shall direct such vessels to be continued on Quarantine until
he shall have received the directions of the Committee of the Week
thereon; or permit them to pass immediately if it appear to
him that the public health will not be injured thereby; and on his
giving a certificate of the same Five Dollars shall be paid.

Art. 3. Vessels to be Reported.

Sec. 1. The Masters of all vessels which on and after the
Twenty third day of May, current, shall arrive from
any port or place not subject to Quarantine, shall previous to
entry at the Custom-House, make report at the Health Of

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in Faneuil Hall, of the state and condition of their crews, passengers and cargoes, and of all other circumstances which may concern the public safety. If found to be from a port free of contagious disease, the Master of such vessel shall receive a certificate to permit the entry of such vessel at the Custom House for which twenty-five cents shall be paid: If otherwise the vessel crew and passengers shall be sent to Rainsford Island on Quarantine.

Art. 4. Vessels from out ports.

Sec. 1. All vessels which shall arrive and enter at any out-port from any of the ports or places mentioned in the first article of these regulations and shall afterwards come to this port. shall be subject to Quarantine, unless the masters produce correct certificates from some Board of Health or Selectmen of a town, that such vessels have been at least twenty five days from such ports or places. that during that time no person has died (excepting by accident or casually) or been sick on board, and that they have been duly examined and thoroughly purified or cleansed.

Art. 5. Infected Vessels.

Sec. 1st All vessels, from any port or place whatever, having one or more sick persons on board shall, at all seasons of the year be liable to quarantine; if, in the opinion of the Visiting Physician such trial shall be necessary.

Art. 6. The Duty and Power of the Visiting Physician

Sec. 1. It shall be the duty of the Visiting Physician of this Board to visit Rainsford Island, as often as shall hereafter be prescribed by the committee of the Week: He shall direct in what manner vessels are to be cleansed; what articles shall be landed, washed, buried, or destroyed: He shall order the sick to be landed, if necessary. shall attend all the sick at said Island, prescribe according to his best skill and judgment to

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their relief; and find all medicine: He shall be allowed to charge each sick person for such attendence; provided his charge does not exceed three dollars for common cases: but he may increase the charge for extraordinary cases to be deemed such by the Committee of the Week:— He shall direct the pilots where to anchor vessels, and they are hereby required to obey his directions: He shall deliver to the master of each vessel arriving on Quarantine a copy of the Quarantine Regulations of this Board. He may establish rules and regulations for the preservation of good order on the Island; and to promote the designs of Quarantine such rules and regulations being under the control of the Board. He shall, from time to time, report to the Committee of the Week, the state of vessels on Quarantine, and the sick at the Island: He shall grant a certificate of discharge to each vessel having duly performed Quarantine: And generally it shall be his duty, to do and perform all things necessary to carry the Regulations of Quarantine into complete effect.

Art. 7. The Secretary's Quarantine Duty.

Sec: 1st The Secretary of this Board shall receive the Visiting Physician's Certificates to entitle such vessels to entry at the Custom House; (of Discharge: shall give Counter Certificate) He shall make the necessary enquiries of all masters of vessels reporting at this office; (shall receive the fees required for such Certificate:) shall furnish necessaries for purifying vessels on Quarantine, and shall receive and communicate to the Board the reports received from the Island

Art. 8. The Island Keeper's Duty.

Sec: 1st The Island Keeper shall personally attend the purification of all vessels, clothing, bedding, persons &c at Quarantine agreeable to the directions of the Visiting Physician— He shall board and attend the sick, and find nurses: He shall be allowed five dollars each week for the board and nursing each sick person at the Island; to be collected as the fees of the Visiting Physician are by law collected or returned: He may employ one person

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to ply with him the Island boat, during the time Quarantine is required. He shall communicate to the Health office, accounts of the arrival of vessels at the Island, as they occur; and of any event which may require the attendance of the Visiting Physician at the Island; shall carry supplies to vessels on quarantine, when delivered on board the boat, and he shall be held to conform to all the directions of this Board, in all matters respecting Quarantine. ——

Sec.2d. In the absence of the Visiting Physician the Island keeper is charged with the police of the Island, agreeably to the laws and rules thereof. ——

Art.3. No person, not on Quarantine, shall be allowed to visit Rainsford's Island, during the time Quarantine is required without a permit from this Board: for which twenty five cents shall be paid for each person.

By order of the Board,

Benjamin Russell President

Attest Nath.l Hemenway Secretary

The Secretary agreeably to Order Reported, he had Contracted with the Printers of the Independent Chronicle and Columbian Centinel to Publish the Orders of the Board for the ensuing Year on the same Terms as they were done the last.

The Committee on Salarys Reported that the Salary of the Secretary be Six Hundred dollars, and Salary of the Messenger be Four Hundred dollars for the ensuing year.

Voted, to accept the Report of the Committee on Salarys, as above stated.

Voted, That Messrs Binney, Rhoades & Sigourney be a committee to report on the Salaries to be given the Visiting Physician and Island Keeper the ensuing year.

Messrs Binney Rhoades & Sigourney Committee on Salaries of Visiting Physician & Island Keeper

Voted, to Adjourn to Monday next 11. o'Clock

Adjourned accordingly

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Previously to the Adjournment of the Meeting Mess.rs Binney and Rhoades claimed their Privilege agreeably to the fifth article of the Rules & Orders of the Board to enter their Protest against the Vote granting to the Secretary the Salary of Six Hundred Dollars and to the Messenger the sum of Four Hundred dollars which protest was signed and presented by them and is as follows:—

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The undersigned. Members of the Board of Health for the Town of Boston having Voted in the negative on the question of accepting the Report of a committee allowing Six Hundred dollars as the Salary of the Secretary and four Hundred Dollars. as the Salary of the Messenger of this Board for the current year; Avail themselves of their privilege agreeable to the Rules and Orders of the Board to enter their dissent against the said Vote with their reasons therefor.

First, Because the Salaries thus Voted. for the current Year are the same amount as those allowed the last year, which was considered by those officers ample compensation for the services then rendered, and because from the present appearances. their duty will be essentially diminished the present Year. in consequence of the recent embarrassments upon our foreign Navigation, which has rendered quarentine regulations almost unnecessary. there being no probability that many if any foreign Vessells will fall under such regulations. whereas during the last Year Near 200. Vessells from foreign ports performed the quarantine required by this Board, and because the quarantine department of the Board is One. tho not the only cause of the necessity of those officers to the Board.—

Secondly. Because from the general stagnation of busin

the time and labour of our fellow citizens are necessarily less valuable. for during the last year every individual of the community found sufficient and profitable employ which enabled them to discharge their Taxes and assessments with ease and promptitude a considerable Item of which was to defray the expences of this Board particularly those salaries. whereas the present year the labour of those citizens who have employ. counts but slow. & the time of many of them hangs heavy on their hands; of course they cannot so easily nor will they so readily discharge their Taxes to support the expences of this invaluable institution.

Thirdly. Because we are fully perswaded that four Hundred Dollars, would be an ample compensation of a Secretary and two Hundred & Sixty six Dollars equally sufficient for the Messenger the current Year. unless some extraordinary circumstances should augment their duties beyond what they apparently will be. in which case we should be as ready as any Gentlemen to vote an extra grant. and because we are confident there are many citizens (without derogating from the merits or qualifications of those Officers) equally capable who would gladly perform their duties for those sums.

Fourthly. Because we believe that it is a correct principle, to observe the same economy of the publick moneys at our disposal. as we do individually of our own. and because we believe no rational individual would consent to pay six Dollars for the same services which he could have performed equally well, for four Dollars, and because when we have once voted the larger sum we cannot consistantly rescind the vote and give the smaller sum. whereas if we in the first instance grant the smaller sum we may with propriety in case of extra services grant the larger.

From these considerations, and the responsibility attached to us officially as members of this Board utterly disclaiming the influence of prejudice or partiality for or against any gentleman interested in this Vote. and believing it to be

our duty to diminish the expences of the Board in every prac-
-ticable way. not inconsistant with the object of its institu-
we do hereby declare our dissent to the said Vote and Vote
-nly protest against it as inexpedient and unreasonable.
But the same time requesting that this paper may be record
with the doings of the Board.

Amos Binney Member for Ward
Jacob Rhoades Member for ward

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At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Homes, Sigourney | Ridgeway, Williams, May, Boies & Mr Gore

The Committee for printing Internal Health Regula-
tions, Reported, they had contracted for the printing Five
Thousand Regulations, for which to pay 40 Dollars and the
had directed the Superintendent to distribute them to the
Inhabitants. ——

Voted to accept the report of the Committee

The Members from Wards №2 & 8 Reported the Quantity of
fish, Skins & Provisions in their Respective wards, no Weekly book-

Report of Com on Salaries of Visiting Physician Island Keeper &c

The Committee to whom was refered the subject of Salaries not
already reported upon, by a former committee, having maturely
considered the subject and made every possible enquiry to en-
-able them to form correct opinions, Report as their result thi
of, That the Salary of the Visiting Physician be Nine Hundr
Dollars, the Salary of the Island Keeper be Two Hundred an
fifty Dollars, and that the Boatman be allowed Fifteen dolla
per Month, during the period of quarantine, As these sums
are considerably less than those Voted the last year, your

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committee recommend that (in case the business of the quarantine department should be increased beyond what the present appearances warrants us in believing it will be) an extra grant at the close of the year in addition to the sums now reported —

Voted, to accept the above Report —

Voted, that the Board now come to the Choice of a Visiting Physician. the votes being collected and counted where Jon. and Doct Thomas Welsh was unanimously chosen — Visiting Physician for the Board the ensuing year —

Voted, that the Secretary Inform Doct. Thomas Welsh, that the Board had made Choice of him as Visiting Physician for the board the ensuing year

Fine Returned Voted, That the Treasurer be desired to return five Dollars to Mr. Whellock, Received of him for a fine for selling Lobsters contra to Law and that the board will support him in the same.

Voted, That the Committee on the common sewer in Cornhill, be requested to make Inquiry respecting Mr Rogers Vault, overflowing.

The Committee appointed, to consider what money will be necessary for the purposes of the Board of Health the ensuing year, have attended the business and beg leave to Report, in their Opinion, it will be necessary to raise Five Thousand dollars.

Voted that the Committee be Desired to Inform the Auditors of the Town Accounts of the above.

Committee on common sewer in Clark Street — Capt Binney & Capt Rhoades joined —

Voted, That a Committee be appointed on the common sewer in Clark Street, Capt Binney, Capt Rhoades & Mr Homes, where appointed.

Voted, as the opinion of this Board, that Oysters can not be sold in the Streets as they are passing to the Stands assigned for the sale of them, Consistent with the Regulations

Voted, That the Board resolve it self in to a Committee and

May 6th 1808 — proceed Immediately in a body to Examine the Mill Pond Complained of.

Voted, That Mr Sigourney, Binney & Bates be a Committee to Inquire in to the Nuisance in Love Lane & North Bennet Street.

Voted, That Capt Binney & Mr Ridgeway be a Committee to lay drains for waste water from the Publick Pumps in Fish Street and Fosters Lane at the Expense of the Board.

Adjourn'd to Monday next

May 16 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President.

Mess^rs Binney, Homes, Sigourney, Ridgeway } Williams, Cotton, May, Bates & Mr Gore

The Committee appointed to examine Mr Rogers's Vault Complain of Reported they had attended to the same and Ordered the Nuisance Removed and was about presenting him to the Grand Jury for Making a Nuisance, but the filth being removed without delay they thought it inexpedient to Enter the prosecution —

The Committee on the Common Sewer in Clark Street.

Emptying on Ballard & Harts Yard. Ask for Instructions. whereon it was.

Voted that the Committee issue notifications to the proprietors of Common Sewer in Clark Street to continue the Same down the Town Slip to the Sea & thereby remove the cause of a Nuisance on Ballard & Harts Yard. If not completed in Six days after Notice the Committee continue the said Sewer and the Board will indemnify them

The Chairman of the Committee to visit the Mill Pond Reported they had Examined the premises and given Instructions

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remove the Nuisance as soon as possible

The Committee on Nuisance on North Bennet Street Reported they had Examined the same and had Ordered Notifications to Remove it. Since which the Nuisance has been removed.

Voted, That the president be a Committee to Inform the Collector of the Port and the Commanding Officer of Fort Independence of the Commencement of a Quarantine of Vessels the Twenty third Instant, and request their assistance in carrying their regulations into Execution. And that the Secretary be directed to Notify the Visiting Physicians & Island Keeper and Direct the inward Pilots, and request them to govern themselves accordingly

Voted. Two Hundred Copys of the Quarantine Regulations be printed in the pamphlet form.

Voted that Capt Binney & Capt Hay be a Committee to Contract for the printing the Quarantine Regulations & Book of Six Hundred Notifications for removal of Nuisances.

Voted, That the President be authorized to Draw on the Town Treasurer in favor of Jeremiah Bridge Superintendent of Scavengers for Three Hundred Dollars.

Voted that Capt John Binneys Account of 25th April 1808 amounting to Twenty four dollars & 87/100 and now Exhibited by the Committee on Accounts. be accepted and paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer in his favor.

Adjourned to Monday next

May 15th 1808. Agreeably to the above Votes the President this day Drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of Mr Jer Bridge Superintendent of Scavengers for ---------- $300.0

In favor of Capt John Binney for his bill above 24.87

$324.87

May 23d 1782 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day
Present Benjamin Russell, Esq. President

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Homes, Sigourney, Ridgeway
Williams, Cotton, May, Bates, Gore

On Motion of Mr Sigourney.—
Voted, That every motion made by any Member of this Board in future shall be committed to writing.—

The Committee on the Common sewer in Clark & Ship Street Reported progress.

Voted, That Messrs Sigourney & Binney be a Committee to Regulate the Stands for Lobstermen in Dock square.—

Voted, That the Regulation of this Board as respects the sale of Lobsters and Oysters be dispensed with on the last Wednesday of May, the first Monday of June and Fourth day of July ensuing so far as it respects the Common but the venders of Lobsers & Oysters will be held liable to remove all shells and Offals occasioned by such permission.

Voted, That Messrs Binney, May & Sigourney be a Committee to assess the proprietors of Drains, made by Order of the Member from Ward No 1, within the Ward.—

Adjourn'd to Monday next

May 30th At a Meeting of the Board of Health.
this day Present Benj. Russell Esq. President

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Homes
Sigourney, Williams, Cotton, May & Mr. Gore

Carry'd up

The Committee on the Common Sewer in Clark & Ship Street reported, That they had Notified the abutters to remove the Nuisance. That the time allowed to remove the same will Expire to morrow; and that the Committee request the Board to view the premises and give them further instructions.

Voted to accept the Report of the Committee.

Voted, That the Board will visit the premises in Ship and Clark Street on Wednesday next. at 3. o Clock P.M. and that the Secretary be directed to notify the absent members; to meet at Capt Rhoades House.

The Committee on the subject of Assessments for Drains Reported progress, and had liberty to Sit again.

Voted, That the Visiting Physician be instructed respecting the Brig Valeria from Demerara & Tortola by via of Bath Capt Simmi Morgan. That she be Detained on quarantine Seventy two Hours. Then be discharged when the Master produces all the men on board who arrived in her, in any Ports of the United States, or in failure of that, a Certificate that any men discharged from her were in perfect Health.

Adjourned to Meet at Capt Rhoades House on Wednesday Next at 3. O Clock P.M.

May 30th 1808 At the above Meeting it was Voted that a Grant be made in favor of Mr Thomas Spear agreeably to his request of One Hundred & Twenty Dollars in Advance of his Salary. and In favor of Capt Amos Binney to Seventy five Dollars to be Accounted for. The President agreeably thereto this day gave a Draft on the Town Treasurer.

In favor of Mr Thomas Spear for $120. 0

In favor of Capt Amos Binney for 75. 0

$195. 0

June 1st 1808 At a Meeting of the Board of Health on Wednesday, June first 1808 at the House of Capt Jacob Rhoades. by adjournment from Monday 30 ult° to consider & determine on the proper method of removing a Nuisance from Ballard & Harts Way

Present Mess^rs Rhoades, Binney, Staples, Williams, Cotton — May, Homes, Sigourney, Ridgeway, Ford

The Board proceeded to view the premises, and on their return, Voted to choose a President & Secretary Pro Tem Capt Jacob Rhoades was Chosen President & Capt John Cotton Secretary Pro Tem

Voted Unanimously that the Committee heretofore appointed to remove the Nuisance abovementioned; be instructed to continue the Common sewer down the Passage way untill they find a suitable outlet for it. —

On Request of Mrs Marean.

Voted that she have the use of the Health office on Monday next on condition She clean & repair it previous to Wednesday following.

Voted that the Board Adjourn to Tuesday Next 11 O'Clock

Tuesday June 7th 1808 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Capt Amos Binney President. Pro Tem

Mess^rs Homes. Sigourney. Ridgeway. Williams Cotton May. Prates & Ford — —

Moved that the Rules & Orders of the Board be so far Amended as that the Meetings be held in future 9 O'Clock and that any Member not present at 15 Minutes after shall pay a fine of One Dollar: and if Absent during the Session shall pay a fine of Two Dollars. Unless excused for some special reason. —

Voted, this Motion be entered on the Records for the Consid-
eration of the Board at the next meeting.

Adjourned to Monday Next.

June 13th 1808. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day
Present Benjamin Russell Esqr President

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Homes, Sigourney
Ridgeway, Williams, Cotton, May, Bates & Fore

Voted that the Rules and Orders of the Board be so far
Amended that the future meetings of the Board be held at
Nine o,Clock in stead of Eleven.

The committee on Nuisence at Ballard & Hart's Yard
having been instructed to continue the Common Sewer
from Clark Street. down the passage way, in a straight
direction, untill a suitable outlet could be found.
Report, that they have completed the same, having con-
tinued the drain from the end of the former one, in a paral-
-lel line with North part of Mr Eben Parsons' Buildings,
and at six feet distance from said buildings, and twenty
feet below the corner of range. where they found a complete
and sufficient out let in the Hollow Wharf. - the drain
being laid with two course of Bricks, two feet wide in the
clear & sixteen Inches high and covered with Slate which
cost as follows.

Labour digging laying & filling up	$41.33	
Liquor for Labourers	2.95	
Robin Weil. for Bricks	45.00	
Lewis Leland for Bricks	4.55	
James Russell for Slate	25.92	
Levi Bates for Slate	2.00	
Geo: Perry for boards Nails &c	6.10	
Contract for paving & gravel complete	20.00	$147.85

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June 13th 1808 — Amount Brought over $147.85

Length of Drain 120 feet

Moses Parker one Share		$7.25	
William Dodd agent to S. Mackay	2.	14.50	
Eunice James	One Share	7.25	
James Euwon	One Ditto	7.25	
Elizabeth Clark	One Ditto	7.25	
Thomas Lewis	One Ditto	7.25	
George Hiler	One Ditto	7.25	
Henry Fowle	One Ditto	7.25	
Lewis Leeland	One Ditto	7.25	
Niles C. Bangs	One Ditto	7.25	
Elizabeth Brown	One Ditto	7.25	
New North Society	One Ditto	7.25	
George Perry	two Ditto	14.50	
John L. Jenison	One Ditto	7.25	
John Wild	One Ditto	7.25	
Samuel Judd	One Ditto	7.25	
John Robinson	One Ditto	7.25	
Elisha Norcross	One Ditto	7.25	
P. H. Nolastrom	One Ditto	7.25	
Joseph Pitman agent	One Ditto	7.25	$159.50

Amos Binney, Jacob Rhoades, William Homes } Committee

Voted, That the Report of the Committee be accepted and that the President Issue a Warrant that the Messenger is authorized to Collect the Assessments of the Abutters as directed by the committee

The committee appointed to Ascertain and assess the Cost of removing certain Nuisances, by making, repairing and extending drains for waste water in Snow Hill Street, Fosters Lane, North Street, and Fish Street Report.

That the expence of 140 feet Common Sewer in Snow Hill Street is $70.17

Expence of 88 feet cross drane 39.33 $109.50

And that the following Persons be Assessed the sums against their Names

Viz Amos Binney	One Third Common	$23.39	
	Whole of Cross drain	39.33	$62.72
Thomas Clark guardian	1/3 Common sewer	23.39	
James Maxwell	1/3 Common Do	23 39	
			$109.7

That the Expence of 110 feet Common
drain in Fosters Lane is $54.19
36 feet Cross drane 12.71
Shoe Trunk & grate Town pump 6.43
Shoe Trunk & grate Clark & others 5.62
Shoe & grate Tufts 5.12 $84.07

And that the following persons be assessed
the sums against their Names
Viz Zepheniah Sampson $6.00
Uriah Tufts Common drain $7.0
Cross ---D°--- 4:25
Shoe & Grate --- 5.12 16.37
John Richardson Common 2 parts 11.00
Cross 4.25
Shoe &c 2.81 18.6
Nath[l] Clark Common Cross & Shoe 10.25
Widow Richardson 6.20
Thomas Heath 6.20
Town of Boston for drain $14.56
for Shoe Trunk & Grate 6.43 20.99 $84.07

That the Expence of 42 feet of Cross drain
in North Street to premises of
William Hoogs is $14.11
Shoe & Trunk 3.00
Copper Strainer 1.00 $18.11

And that William Hoogs be assessed
the Whole amount $18.11

That the Expence of 12 feet drain
from Publick Pump Fish Street is $6.15
Shoe & Trunk 4.50
Lower Grate 1.27
Upper grate ... 55[lb] 8.20
Edge Stone to case Shoe 3.80 $23.92

And that the same be paid by the
Board agreeably to their Vote $23.92

All which is respectfully submitted

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Elisha Sigourney
Samuel Hay
Amos Binney
} Committee

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The Report having been Read, it was Voted. That it be Accepted and that the President Empower the Messenger to Collect the Assessments as Stated.

The committed on Common Sewer in Cornhill & Williams Court Report. That the Common sewer is Completed. That the Expence as per contract with Mr Minzies Amount to, as per Account $577.62

That the same be Assessed on the following persons in the following proportion that is to say Sixteen Shares at Thirty Eight dollars each

Viz	Ozias Goodwin	One Share	$38.00
	Nath[l] Balch	One Ditto	38.00
	Joseph Foster	One Ditto	38.00
	Benjamin Green	One Ditto	38.00
	Abigail Gray	One Ditto	38.00
	Josiah Bumstead	One Ditto	38.00
	Daniel D. Rogers	two Ditto	76.00
	Andrew Brimmer	One Ditto	38.00
	William Richardson	One Ditto	38.00
	William Thurston	One Ditto	38.00
	James Lloyd	One Ditto	38.00
	Samuel Dashwood	half Share	19.00
	Stephen Francis	half Ditto	19.00
	Matthias Hiler	half Ditto	19.00
	James H. Foster	half Ditto	19.00
	Gardner Green	One Ditto	38.00
	Joshua Rimney	One Ditto	38.00
			$608.00

Elisha Sigourney. Amos Binney. Benjamin Rupell. Committee

The Report having been Read it was Voted to accept the report of the committe.

Voted that the same Committee be authorized to Assess the Abutters for the Expence of the same, as above and that the Messenger be Empowered to Collect the Several sums assessed.

Voted, That the Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market, be authorized to use his discretion in the execution of the 8th Article of the Internal Health Regulations of this Board, so far as the same respects Salmon and Beef. being brought into the by land, with their entrails in: and Exposed for Sale in the Market.

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Voted, That Mr Gore & Deacon Bates be a Committee to Prosecute Moses Wallace for a Violation of the Internal Health Regulations of this Board in Emptying his Vault, and making a Nuisance on Beach Street.

The following bills having been passed by the Committee on accounts viz Messrs Belcher & Armstrong of for Printing. and Binding as p. bill, fourteen dollars and forty nine cents Messrs Oliver & Munroe for Printing five hundred Internal Health Regulations. & 200 Notifications for Ward No 8 to Mr. H. as per bill of 3d April 1808 forty One dollars & fifty cents. Henry Newman, bill of Rent of flats on the North of Copps Hill, on which a Wharf stand; built by the Board for the towns use. forty dollars Allowed as by agreement due the last day of June 1808. David Darling's bill for Cleaning the North Church after the Meeting of Ward No 1 for the Choice of Number in April last. One dollar & fifty cents. Allowed

Voted That the President be authorized to Draw on the Town Treasurer in favor of Messrs Belcher & Armstrong. Oliver and Munroe. & Henry Newman for the Sums Allowed as above. And that the Treasurer of the Board pay David Darling's bill out of Money in his hands.

Voted. That the Regulation Respecting Vaults be strictly adhered to and that the Committee of the Week be directed to Instruct the Night Cart men their duty.

Voted That a Committee be appointed to Examine the Nuisance Complained of in Hanover Street. Messrs Homes. Rhoades. & Ridgeway were appointed.

Voted That when the Board adjourn they adjourn to Monday Next. then to meet at 9. O'Clock. A.M. Adjourned.

June 20th 1808

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq. President

Messrs Rhoades	Williams
Staples	Colton
Homes	May
Sigourney	Bates
Ridgeway	Gore

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June 26th 1808

The Committee on the Nuisance in Hanover Street. Report. they had attended to the Complaint and the Nuisance is Removed.

Voted, That the Members be directed to report on Monday next, the Number of Swine and by whom Kept in their respective Wards.

Voted, That the Subject of Mr Clarks Yard & Vault be referred to the Board be referred to the Committee that Examined the Nuisance; who are directed to conduct in the business as they see fit and Report at the next meeting.

Voted, That Capt Rhoades, Mr Holmes, & Capt Staples be a Committee to Examine a Nuisance (mentioned by Capt Rhoades) at Town Neck near Mountfort's Corner, who are Authorized to remove the same.

Voted that Capt Rhoades, Mr Sigourney, & Mr Ridgeway be a committee to prosecute the Person Notified to remove a Nuisance in Pinckney Street 10th August last

Voted, That Major Russell, Mr Sigourney, & Mr Ridgeway be a Committee to Examine the Wharf at the Bottom of Everett Street, belonging to the town; and report what repairs is necessary. —

Voted. That when this Board adjourn they adjourn to to Monday next

Voted to Adjourn to Monday next 9 o'Clock, A.M.

Agreeably to the Vote of the Board of 13th Instant the President gave a Draft on the Town Treasurer in favor of Messrs Belch and Armstrong for ——— $14.49

In favor of Messrs Oliver & Munroe for ——— 41.50

In favor of Mr Henry Newman for ——— 40.00

$95.99

June 27th 1808 A Meeting of the Board of Health this day Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Messrs Bunnel, Rhoades, Staples, Homes, Sigourney, Ridgeway, Colton, May, Bates, Gore

The Members from the several Wards agreeable to vote of the last Meeting Except Nº 2 & 11. Reported the Number of Swine kept and by whom in their Respective Wards as on file.

Voted, That the Members for the Several Wards be instructed to ascertain the Owners of Swine within their respective Wards who have not obtained a License, and inform them that the Regulation of the Board will be put in Operation against all delinquents after July 2.

The Committee to Examine the Nuisance at the Town Ships near Mountforts Corner Report they had attended to the Business and Ordered Mr Benjamin Wheeler to remove the same and that it was progressing.

The Committee on the Nuisance in Pinkney Street Reported that the persons Notified to remove the same were diligent in order to sink a Drain to remove the Waste water complained of. which rendered unnecessary the Prosecution ordered at the last Meeting.

The Committee on the Wharf at West Boston Report that it wanted to be new planked but as it was probable it must be removed when the New Bridge is built. they had given Orders to Repair the same by patching the plank.

Voted, to Accept the Report of the Committee

Voted that the fine of David Cleveland be remitted and that the Committee take Measures to recover the same

Voted that Mr Sam[l] Bateman's fine for a Violation of Internal Health Regulations be not remitted

Voted that James Oliver's fine be not remitted

Voted that the Money paid by Jonas Allen for fines be not remitted.

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Voted, That Mr Ridgeway Binney & Homes be a Committee to take into consideration Mr Amos Ramsdell fine for a Nuisance and to Act on the same as they see fit and report.

Voted, That the Committee of the Week take the Subject of Mr Benj. Wheeler's fine in to Consideration, and conduct as they see fit on the same.

Voted, That the subject of Messrs Cook & Loring's Vault be referred to Capt. Cotton.

The Committee Appointed to Assess the Expence of drains made by Order of the members of Ward N°1 further Report.

That the Expence of 70 feet Drain from premises in charge of Mr Henry Stetson on Lynn Street is $26.25

Cost of Shoe Trunk & grate is 4.75

$31.00

And that Henry Stetson as agent be Assessed the whole Amount ---------- 31.00

That the Expence of 73 feet of Drain from Premises of Joseph Hurd & others on Prince Street is $36.47

Pump Shoe Trunk & Grate ---------- 5.75

Shoe & grate for Hurd ---------- 3.75 45.97

And that the same be Assessed as follows

Daniel Ray 1/3 ---------- $15.00

Henry Bigg 1/3 ---------- 15.00

Joseph Hurd agent 1/3 --- $15.00

Shoe & Grate 3.75 18.75 48.75

Which is respectfully submitted

Boston June 27th 1808

Elisha Sigourney
Sam May
A. Binney.
} Committee

The Report having been read, It was Voted to accept the above Stated, and that the President Empower the Messenger to collect the Assessments

Voted, that the Subjects William Taylor & Capt Jon[a] Chapman fines for a Violation of Internal Health Regulations be referred to Mr Sigourney, Ridgeway & Binney.

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Voted, That Capt. Samuel May have leave of Absence

Voted, That the Members ascertain the Number of Goats in their respective Wards & report at the Next Meeting

Voted, That Mr Fore, Bates & Binney be a Committee to take into consideration the complaints of Goats Running at Large and report at the Next meeting.

Voted, That Capt. Proctor, Staples & Cotton be a Committee to take into consideration the Subject of Rent for the Stats rented of Mr Henry Newman.

Voted That Mrs Clark's Vault Complained of be referred to a Committee

Voted, That the Nuisance complained of in Newbury St. be referred to the weekly Committee.

Voted, That the President be requested to confer with the Town Advocate respecting the double Costs of Prosecution and report

Voted That the fee of five dollars for the Certificate of the Schooner Thomas Clement Jordan Master from Philidelphia be exacted of Mr Daniel Hastings Owner.

Voted, That a fee of five Dollars be paid for a Certificate of all Vessels, Coasters excepted, from any part of the United States

Voted, That when the Board Adjourn they Adjourn to Saturday Next

Voted, to Adjourn to Next Saturday @ 9 Clock A.M.

July 2 1808 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day. Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Majr Binney	Ridgeway
Rhoades	Williams
Sayles	Cotton
Homes	Bates
Sigourney	Pore

The Committee Appointed at the last Meeting to Consider of Mr Ramsdail's fine Reported they had attended to the business & agreed them and had agreed to remit one half the fine as he was out of town and plead ignorance of the situation of Vault ——

Voted that the Committee have further time allowed them on the business

Voted that the Committee of the Week have further time allowed them, to Consider of Mr Wheelers fine ——

The Committee on Mr William Taylor & Capt Jon Chapmans fine Reported they had paid their fines.

Voted that the subject of Coates recommitted to the same committee ——

Voted, that the Committee on the Rent of Vaults with Mr Henry Newman have further time to settle the business with him.

The Committee (Mr Pore) on the Nuisance in Newbury Street Reported he had attended to the Compleint but could not discovered the cause and thought it unintended

Major Russell Committee Reported he had made Inquiry respecting the double Cost in Executions and found they were divided betwixt the Justice witness & Officers.

Voted that the subject of Mrs Cleaveland's fine be referred to the next Meeting of the Board and that the Collecting of the fine be suspended.

The Committee on Mrs Clarks Vault Reported they had examined the same. that it was not up to the limits of the Regulation.

Voted that the Committee be Instructed to recommend to the Owners to fill up the Vault and that a new one be dug and so constructed that a Coping be made around the Cellar of Captains

Voted, That the Communication made by the Visitors Physician respecting the Wasp Sloop of War lying on Plumbers Island be Committed to Major Russell, Binney & Sigourney to Consider of the same & Report.

Voted, that the Invitation of the Board of Selectmen to attend the Municipal Celebration of the Anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence on the fourth of July. be Accepted and that as many of this Board as can conveniently will attend

Voted that the Committee of the Next Week be directed to attend to the Complaint of Ward N. Boylston's Nuisance in School Street

Voted That Messrs Sigourney Ridgeway be a Committee to Order a Drain from Mr William Welshes pump in Cole Street

Voted that a Committee of this Board be appointed to take into Consideration the Communication of the Member of Ward. No 1. viz That in the discharge of his duty as such ——— he had been Calumniated, and his veracity called in question by Mr Joseph W. Revere before a Court of Justice in a cause in which his (Reveres) Father was prosecuted for a Breach of the Regulations of this Board. Messrs Jno. Sigourney & Russell Committee

Major Russell the President of the Board had leave of Absence for the week after Next

Voted, That Mr Bridge the Superintendent of the Scavengers be Instructed to have all his Carts at the usual place of deposit by Six O'Clock on Sunday Mornings.

Voted, That Messrs Ridgeway Sigourney be a Committee to attend to the Removal of a Nuisance in Mr Benjamin Welles Cellar in Copper Street.

Voted that a Draft be Made on the Town Treasurer in favor of Mr Jeremiah Bridge for four Hundred dollars

and

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and in favor of Nath Bowditch Secretary for One Hundred and fifty dollars. In favor of William Phillips Messenger for One Hundred dollars Amounting together Six Hundred and fifty dollars. —— in part for their pay & Salarys ——

Voted, That the Board reconsider the Subject of Mess Clowerlands Mrs. Ramsdells fines

Voted that the Collection of fines be suspended for the present

Voted that when this Board Adjourn they Adjourn to Monday the 11th Day of July.

Adjourned Accordingly to Monday the 11th at 9 o'Clock A.M.

Agreeably to the above Vote The President drew on the Town Treasurer In favor of Jeremiah Bridge for four Hundred dollars In favor of Nath Bowditch Secretary for One hundred and fifty dollars. & In favor of William Phillips Messenger for One hundred dollars.

July 11th 1808 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day Present Capt Edward Staples President pro tem

Messrs Binney, Holmes, Ridgeway } { Williams, Cotton, Lore

The Committee on Mr Benjamin Wheelers fine Reported that he having Violated the Regulations by suffering his Vault to be full hath incurred a fine and that he be fined five dollars

The Committee on Boats reported that it is not necessary to Make any Regulation on the subject of Boats at this time

The Committee on Mrs Clark Craves have further time on that business ——

Voted that the Committee on the Subject of the Sloop of War Wasp have further time allowed them

Report of Committee on H. Newman's Rent

The Committee on the Rent of the Flats with Mr Newman Ask leave to report; That the best terms they can Make

with Mr Newman are that for the last year Mr Newman will receive forty Dollars, but for the ensuing Year he must have Sixty Dollars, or should he sell the Premises previous to conclusion of the year. five dollars per Month while used. Voted

Accept the report. — The Committee on Ward 3. Boylston Reservoir Report, That he had permission & direction to make a drain into the Common sewer in School street that when it was completed he would pay to the Mayor & Aldermen of the Board one share of the whole expence of said Common sewer. which when paid would be divided among the proprietors there of.

Note of the 11th Sept 1808 Rec'd of Boylston 6 Dollars, was paid to the Treasurer of Board.

Voted, That the Subject of Mr William Welch's fine for a Nuisance be suspended to the Next Meeting.

It further ordered Voted, That the Report of the Committee appointed to investigate the complaint of Capt Simeon Binney be referred to the next meeting with Mr Revears Letter.

Voted, that the Committee on Mr Welle's Cellar in Copper Street have further time on that business.

Voted, That Mr Austin's Letter to the board on the Subject of Prosecutions lay over to the Next meeting.

Adjourned to Monday Next, 9 O'Clock

July 18th 1808. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day present Benjamin Russell Esq. President

Mess.rs Binney	Ridgeway
Rhoades	Williams
Homes	Cotton
Sigourney	Gore

Voted, That the Visiting Physician be directed to procure to Discharge from Quarantine the Schooner Diadem Capt Thomas Howes from Savannah sent down on Account of a Man's being sick on board. —

Voted That the Committee on Mr Clarkes Vault have further time on that business.

turn over

June 15. 1812 The Committee on the Subject of the Sloop of War Wasp have leave to sett again.

On Motion — That the Fine Incurred by Mr William Welch for a Violation of the Internal Health Regulations be Remitted. it was Voted in the Negative. ——

The Committee appointed to investigate the Complaint of Capt Simon Binney. a Member of the Board of Health;

That in the execution of his duty as such. he had been calumniated & his Veracity called in question, by Mr Joseph W. Revere, in terms attended the duty aforesaid. Therein,

Report a State of Facts

1st That Capt Binney, in the execution of his duty, Prosecuted Col° Paul Revere to recover a fine for a breach of the 2 Article of the Internal Regulations of this Board

2 That the said Joseph W. Revere appeared on the Trial to defend the Action ——

3d That after Capt Binney, on Oath, had testifyd to the Facts in the Case, Mr J W Revere in the Presence of the Court, declared that what Capt Binney had testifyd was an infamous falsehood. —

4th That Capt Binneys testimony was corroborated by other witnesses, of which Mr Bridge, an Officer of this Board was one —

5th That when the Parties were before the Committe, Mr J. W. Revere acknowledged that he had Called the veracity of Capt Binney in question, as above stated and considerd from the Method pursued that the Prosecution originated in party Motives, and personal enmity to Col° P. Revere, that he then thought so and continued to think so now.

6th That Capt Binney declared in the Presence of Mr J W Revere, that he was not influenced, in the prosecution, by any party motives or personal enmity towards Col° P. Revere, that he despisd such motives. and that had his own Brother offended against the Regulations of the Board, as Col° Revere had done. he should have taken a similar, execution, that he had only aimd at a fair and impartial discharge of his duty.

7th That Mr J. W. Revere on reply observd that he had made the assertion, and continued of the same opinion, that the Observation

he made was personal towards Capt Binney as a Man. and not intended to reflect in any degree on the Board of Health.—

In addition to this State of facts Your Committee beg leave to state that nothing has appeared to implicate the impartiality and justice of Capt Binney in the Prosecution, nor of the smallest departure from truth in his deposition, But that his conduct has merited, and ought to receive the approbation of the Board.—

All which is respectfully

submitted.

per Order,

Geo. Ingersoll.

Chairman.

Voted, That the Board accept the above report.—

Voted, Unanimously, That the conduct of Mr. W. Revere in the premises has been such as meets the decided disapprobation & censure of this Board.—

Voted, That a copy of the proceedings be certified by the Secretary and transmitted to Mr. W. Revere.—

Voted, That Mr. Sigourney Capt Cotton, Capt Rhoades be a Committee to take into Consideration the Letter of W. Revere respecting the premises of Col. P. Revere.

Voted, That the Subject of Mr. Batson's Vault be committed to Capt Binney. Ridgeway. & Sigourney.

The Committee on Mr Wallis Cellar Reported

Voted that the Letter from Mr James T. Austin be referred to the Committee for further Consideration.—

Voted that Tuesday Next Letter on the Subject of Mr Howes fine for a Breach of the Quarantine Regulations be then taken.—

Voted that a Committee be appointed to make Inquiry whether any Extraordinary sickness prevails in Philadelphia or any other City of the United States and Report.—

Voted that the Treasurer pay Messrs Gallatin Wales & Binney's

Russell
Binney
Gore
Committee

July 25th 1808 Bills [illegible] passed by the Committee on Accounts Amounting to

Fourteen dollars & Twenty five cents ——

Voted that the Treasurer be directed to pay Capt Bunney the balance of his Account of Money Expended for him for Making Drains. Voted that Messrs Rhoades Bunney & Gore be a Comm on the Business in Dispute between Miller

Voted that the President be authorized to make a draft on the Town Treasurer in favor of Doct Thomas Welsh Visiting Physician of the Board for Two Hundred & Twenty five dollars on Account of his Salary

Voted to Adjourn to Monday Next 4 o'Clock P.M.

Agreeably to the Above Vote the President this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of Doct Thomas Welsh Visiting Physician of the Board for Two Hundred & Twenty five dollars in part of his Salary ——

July 25th 1808 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day.

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Messrs Bunney, Rhoades, Staples, Homes	Ridgeway, Cotton, Gore

Voted That the Committee on Mrs Clarke's vault & Premises have further time. Voted that Mr Homes be added to the Committee. ——

Voted that the Committee on Col Revere's premises have further time allowed them.

Voted that the Committee on Mr Batsons Vault be discharged agreeably to their Request. ——

Voted that Capt Cotton & Capt Bunney be a Committee to prosecute Isaac Packard for a Violation of Internal Health Regulations. ——

The Committee Chosen to Inquire of the Health of the City of Philadelphia & Report progress ——

July 25th 1808

Voted, That when this Board adjourne they proceed in a body to Mr Clarks, Daggetts Alley Capt Herreys & Copps Hill. to view Nuisances complained of.

Voted, That the Nuisance Complained of in Bromfields lane, and Cornhill be Refered to the Committee of the Week.

Voted, that Capt Williams have leave of Absence during pleasure

Voted, That the Night Cart Men be Authorised to Charge nine pence a square foot for all Vaults they empty till further Orders.

Voted, that the Messenger be directed to call on Edward H. Robbins Esq Capt Michal Homer & Mr William Colon, and inform them, that unless the bills he presents are paid, they will be put in suit

Adjourned to Monday Next 4 o Clock

August 1st 1808

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Mess Shurtleff, Staples, Homes

Ridgeway, Colton, Fore

The Committee on Mr Clarks premises Report progress.

The Committee to Examine Col Paul Revere's Yard & premises Report they found them according to Law.

Voted, to Accept the Report of the committee

The Committee to Inquire into the health of the City of Philadelphia, New York &c Report, that the Accounts from those City's were more flattering then they were; That no particular Contagion prevailed in them at present.

Voted. That Major Russell, Capt Colton & Capt Staples be a Standing Committee to Report from time to time the State

August 1st of Wealth in the Several Cities and Towns in the United States.
1808

The Committee of the whole having proceeded to Examine Daggetts Alley and other places; Report that Jon. Merry's Petition for a Remittance of a certain fine ought not to be grant. That Henry Newman has been directed to make a drain for Stagnant Water on Copp's Hill. That Daggetts alley is at present a great Nuisance and that it is absolutely Necessary to Make a Drain to remove the Stagnant Water; But that some of the Inhabitants are unable to pay their proportion of the Expence.

Voted, That the Report on Daggetts Alley be returned to the Boyd Meeting.

The President communicated to the Board an Invitation from the Gentlemen Selectmen to accompany them on a visit to Deer Island.

Voted, that the Board accept the Polite invitation of the Selectmen; and that the President be requested to write to their Chairman and Inform them of this Vote.

Voted, That Capt Staples, Mr Homes & Capt Binney be a Committee to examine Board Alley from Middle Street to fish Street complained of.

Voted, That the same Committee be authorized to take into consideration the Nuisance in Ann Street and North Bennett Street. Love Lane &c and Report.

Voted, That Mr Sigourney have Leave of absence being unwell

Voted, That the Secretary be directed to Inquire of Deacon Bates of the Corridors himself a Member of the Board, he not having attended the Meetings of the Board of late.

Voted, That Mr Gore Mr Homes & Mr Ridgeway be a committee to Inquire & Report on Mr Thurston's Fine. Lease that the collection be suspended till further Order.

Adjourned to Monday Next

August 8th 1808

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day. Present Benjamin Russell, Esq. President

Messrs Rhoades, Homes, Ridgeway } { Cotton, Bates, Gore.

The committee on Mrs Clark's Vault, Report the work was in progression.

The committee to Inquire of the Health of the Citys & Towns in the United States Report that tho' the Number of Deaths in the Citys of New York & Philadelphia had Increased there was nothing uncommon or Infectious in the Complaints.

Voted, that Capt Cotton be added to the Weekly committee in Messrs Sigourney & May being out of town.

Report of committee on Jaggets Alley

The committee on Jaggets Alley Reported that there was water in the Cellars of some of the Houses, and no Common Sewer, and that the Pavement was out of order which Caused mud holes & Stagnant water. Referred to the Next Meeting.

The Committee of the Week were directed to use their Discretion as to the time of the Order Issued to Mr Tilley's to Remove his Sick Complaint &c.

The Committee on Board Alley, Ann Street Love Lane, &c Reported Progress.

Voted, That the President be authorized to Make a Draft on the Town Treasurer in favor of Mr Jer[h] Bridge for four Hundred dollars.

Adjourned to Monday Next

Agreeably to the above Vote the President drew on the Town Treasurer in favour of Mr Jeremiah Bridge for four Hundred dollars on Account of his Contract.

August 15th 1808. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day Present Benjamin Russell, Esq: President

Mess^rs Binney, Rhoades, Staples } { Homes, Ridgeway, May. & Bates

The Committee on the Subject of Nuisance in the Cellar of Cap^t Eames, Occasioned by the Vault on the Estate occupied by Mrs Clark and owned in part by Mr^s Eunice James, Report, that they have filled up the Old Vault and thereby destroyed the nuisance and for the accomodation of the Proprietors they have dug a new Vault & erected thereon a House of much less dimensions than the former one ——

That the whole Expence in

digging new & filling old Vault	$3.00	
Oakam & Freemans bill Emptying	21.97	
Samuel Townsends bill Making House	38.12	$63.09
And that the Amount be disposed		
One Half on Mr^s Eunice James	$31.55	
One Half on the Proprietor of the Estate occupied by Mrs Clark	31.55	$63.10

Voted this Report be accepted and that the President issue his Warrant to William Phillips, Messenger of the Board, for the collection of these Assessments. ——

Voted, That the Invitation of the Selectmen to visit the publick Schools Next Friday, be accepted, and that the President be requested to Inform their Chairman that as many as can Conveniently, will attend ——

Daggetts Alley

Voted That the Nuisance in Daggetts Alley be removed immediately; and that the Treasurer be directed to advance One Hundred & Thirty dollars to the Committee, to defray the Expence thereof, Provided the whole expence Amount to Two Hundred & Sixty dollars ——

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Voted, That the Secretary be directed to Write a Circular to the Delinquents on various Assignments informing them that the Board have ordered that their bills be put in Suit unless paid before or on the 25th Instant.

The Committee on Mrs Tilley's Fish, Reported that it was Removed to the Great Pit Buster in the Outer Harbor.

The Committee on Ann Street, Board Alley Love Lane, & Report, that the Nuisance in Ann Street is removed. That the Nuisance in Board Alley is removed, but that the Alley cannot be made wholesome without new Planking. That they had contracted with Mr Bell to make the Common Sewer from Prince Street To Love Lane, at Eighty six cents per foot.

Voted, to Accept the Report of the Committee.

Voted, that Capt Staples be a Committee to Confer with the Selectmen (the Surveyors of the Highways) respecting Board alley.

Voted, That the Messenger be directed to call on Mr Ward N. Boylston for one share of the Expense of Common Sewer in School Street Amounting to Seventy six dollars for his Entrance of Drain for waste water, done by Order of the Board.

Voted, That the Visitation to Rainsford Island this Year be a Privatione.

Voted, That an Invitation be sent to the Selectmen, the Presidents and the Gentlemen that were of the Board last Year, And that two Gentlemen of the Clergy be Invited.

Voted, That the President have two Cards for his friends and the other Gentlemen of the Board One Card Each.

Voted, That Capt Bunney, Mr Gore & Capt Staples be a committee of Arrangments.

Voted, That Capt Rhoades & Capt Staples be a Committee to Prosecute Jon[a] Merry, and take such other Measures

August 15th 1808 Respecting the Nuisance made by him in Charter Street as they think proper —

Voted That Capt. May Mr Ridgeway & Capt Rhoades be a committee on the Nuisance in Mill Pond —

Committee on Nuisance in Mill Pond

Voted That a Gratuity of Ten dollars be paid by the Treasurer of the Board to Mr Readel for his Information of a Violation of the Quarantine Regulations by John H. Hew

Adjourn'd to Monday Next 9 O'Clock —

August 22 1808

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell, Esq. President

Messrs Binney	Ridgeway
Rhoades	Cotton
Staples	May
Homes	Bates & Gore

The Committee on Board, Clark's Alley Report Progress and have Leave to Set again —

The Committee of Arrangements, Report that the Visitation to Rainsford Island be on Monday next and for that purpose they Meet at this Office a Seven o'Clock, A.M. —

The Committee on the Nuisance in Mill Pond, Report that they had Attended to the business; and have Conferred with the Selectmen who Inform them, that Something Shall be done Respecting the Drains & Common Sewers.

Voted, That the Committee have Leave to Set a gain.

Voted, That the Messenger be directed to Cite Capt Jon^a Merry for a fine of Ten dollars for a Violation of the Internal Health Regulations (Making a Nuisance in Charter Street) - Cited if he neglects to pay That the Committee on that subject institute a Prosecution against him? —

August 29th 1808

The Committee appointed to prosecute Isaac Lockard for a Nuisance on his premises, Report, That they had attended to that business, and he permitted the Action to go by default

Voted, That the Report be accepted.

Voted That Messrs Fore, Rhoades & May, be a Committee to assist the Night Cart Men in Obtaining their pay for Work done by direction of the Board.

Voted, That when this Board Adjourn they adjourn to Monday next

Voted, to Adjourn to Next Monday 7 O'Clock A.M.

August 29th 1808

Agreeably to the Vote of the last Meeting the Board met this Morning

Present Benjamin Rufsell, Esq[r] President

Board at Island

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Homes, Sigourney | Ridgeway, May, Cotton, Bates, Fore

And proceeded with a Number of Gentlemen Invited to Visit Rainsford Island, where a Session of the Board was held; the regulations of the Board found to have been duly executed; and the general Police of the Island regularly observed. The Company dined together; a number of toasts were given; and the day and evening were spent to the satisfaction of the guests and the Board

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Sept[r] 5th 1808

Agreeably to Rule the following Members of the Board met at 9 O'Clock viz

Messrs Rhoades, Homes, Sigourney | May, Bates, Fore

There not being sufficient to make a Quorum they Adjourned

Sept 22 1800 At a Meeting of the Board of Health.

This Day Present, Benjamin Russell, Esq. President

Mess^rs Binney, Rhoades, Homes, Sigourney, Cotton, May, Bates, Gore

The Committee on the Nuisance in the Mill Pond Report, they had attended to the business, and that the Nuisance will soon be removed.

Voted, That the Fine assest on William Welsh for a Supposed violation of the Internal Regulations be Remitted —

Voted, That the Secretary be directed to Informe Justice Gorham and Judge Wetmore, that the Board Request them to Issue their Executions against all persons, whom Judgment have been given against, for Infringements of the Regulations of the Board

The Committee On the subject of the General health of the United States, report, that they have received accounts, and have been Gentlemen from Charleston, Baltimore Philadelphia, & New York, Providence, Portsmouth and Portland, that an unusual degree of health prevails in those places; but that in some parts of the interior country sickness from local fevers, dysenterys &c have produced some Mortality —

Voted, That the Messenger be directed to pay into the Treasurer the Money collected of Ward N Boylston (Seventy Six dollars) his proportion of the expense of the Common Sewer in School Street till otherwise Ordered.

Voted, That the Physician give a Certificate of Discharge to John Peter Mortier from the Island that he is free from any disease.

Voted, That the Treasurer advance three Dollars to the above Mortier he being destitute of friends or Money —

Sept^r 12^th 1808

Voted, That Amana Murdock's bill for Care of Carts &c. be Committed to a Committee. M^r Sigourney, Binney & Russell to Investigate & Report —

Voted, That the Committee of Arrangements be directed to to Collect all the Accounts for the Visit to the Island.

Voted, That M^r May have leave of Absence for Ten days.

Voted, That the Subject of the Night Cart Men Emptying Vaults contra to Regulations be committed to Capt Rhoades.

Adjourn^d to Monday Next.

Sept^r 19 At a Meeting of the Board of Health, this Day Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

M^r Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Homes } { Ridgeway, Cotton, Bates, Gore

The Secretary Reported, he had agreeably to order Informed Justice Parham & Judge Wetmore of the request of the Board. Respecting persons Joined by their Order.

The Committee on M^r Murdock's bill Reported they had attended to the business assigned them; Which M^r Murdock informed them he had Covered the Nine best Carts agreeable to Contract; that he had bought 8 Gl and Oiled the Warrants &c. for which the Committee thought fit to allow him two dollars in addition to the five as agreed by a former committee for his Care of the Carts; Making his bill for the whole Seven dollars; which was paid in full by the Treasurer

Voted, That the Treasurer pay the bills of the Committee of Arrangements for the Visit to the Island, One Hundred &

Sept[r] 19[th] and Eighty Dollars & 28/100
1803 Voted, That a Committee be appointed for the purpose of taking into Consideration what measures shall be adopted to carry into effect the business of the Night Carts and Report. Doc[r] Bates, Gore & Cap[t] Rimney were Appointed

Voted, That Mess[r] Ridgeway, Rimney & Staples be a Committee to Examine the Cellar of Mr Hartshorn who Complained of Water running from his neighbors Pump into the same.

Voted, That the Board assume the bill for spreading Clarks Ashes done by Order of the Board, and paid by Capt Staples Amounting to Thirty Seven dollars, And that a Warrant be Drawn on the Town Treasurer in favor of Cap[t] Staples for that amount.

Adjourned to Monday Next 9 O'Clock A.M

Sept[r] 26[th] 1803 At a Meeting of the Board of Health, this Day. present Benj[a] Russell Esq[r] President

Doc[r] Rimney	Ridgeway
Rhoades	Williams
Staples	Cotton
Hames	Bates
Rigourney	Gore

The Committee on the Night Cart business Report progress, and have leave set a gain

Voted, That the above Committee Mess[rs] Bates, Gore & Rimney be authorized to Make an Experiment by puting Stone Lime into the Contents of a Vault and Report.

The Committee on Mr Hartshorns complaint Report,

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They had examined the Premises and they thought it not a Subject of Consideration for the Board.

Voted, to Accept the Report of the committee.

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed to prosecute Col. Thomas Cushing for the amount of Expense in removing a Nuisance from his Premises in Brimfield's Lane, One Hundred and Twenty Eight dollars $\frac{88}{100}$. Mess. Sore, Homes, & Cotton were appointed.

Voted, That Capt Rhoades, Binney & Staples be a Committee to attend to the Complaint of Nuisance Generally, in this Street.

Voted, That Mr Saring's bill be committed to the Committee on Mr Clark's Nuisance Messrs Russell, Binney & Homes

Voted, That Messrs Russell, Williams & Ridgeway be a Committee to Remove a Nuisance from Mr Sam W Lemoy's Premises in Bowdoin Street. —

Adjourned to Monday Next, 9 O'Clock, A.M.

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At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President &

Messrs Rhoades	Williams
Homes	Cotton
Sigourney	Bates
Ridgeway	Sore

Capt W. Chapman appeared at the Board and Stated that he was at all times disposed to obey the Orders of the Board, but was out of Town when the Order to remove the Dirt which was carried into the Street from his Yard was Issued.

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The Board having considered the subject, Voted, that the Fine be remitted. Capt Chapman paying the Cost & removal.

Voted, that the Board approve the Conduct of the Committee on Mr Prosecution of Mr Chapman Esq

The Committee on the Right Court business Report Progress and have leave to sit again.

The Committee on the Nuisance in Fish Street report Progress

The Committee on Mr Townsend Bill not being prepared to Report have leave to sit again

The Committee on Sam W Pomroy's Nuisance are directed (on Receiving the bill for Drain to remove the same) to assess the amount on him, and if not paid in six days after notice to cause a prosecution against him for the amount.

Voted, That the Treasurer be Instructed to pay Mr Gore fifty Dollars in advance for the Drain Ordered by the Board, from Col Thomas Cushing's Premises in Prom[illegible] Lane to be refunded.

Voted, That the Treasurer pay fifty dollars to Doc Thos Welsh the Visiting Physician of the Board on Account of his Salary.

Voted, That the Committee be Instructed to Prosecute Samuel Harris for the Fine he has Incurred in not preventing Waste water running on the Surface of the Earth

Draft for Daggetts Alley

Voted, That the Treasurer be authorized to Draw on the Town Treasurer in favor of Capt Jacob Rhoades for One Hundred and Thirty dollars Voted by the Board, the 15th August last, in part of the Expense of the Drain in Daggetts Alley; and in favor of Jeremiah Bridge Superintendent of the Scavengers for Five Hundred dollars.

Voted in favor of Nath.l Greenough, Secretary, One Hundred and fifty dollars, & in favor of William Phillips, Assessor, One Hundred dollars, in part of their Salaries; Making together with the Thirty Seven dollars, voted Cap.t Edw.d Staples The sg.d Sum. Nine Hundred and Seventeen dollars.——

Voted, That the Weekly Committees be directed to give such Instructions to Mr. Bridge Respecting the Wards, Drains as they see fit.

Adjourned to Monday next.

October 3 1808 Agreeably to the above vote the President this Day Drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of Cap.t Edw.d Staples w.h sd Vote of the Board the sg.d Sum ..... $ 37 .. 00

" in favor of Cap.t Jacob Rhoades, 130 .. 00

" in favor of Mr. Jeremiah Bridge, 500 .. 00

" in favor of Nath.l Greenough. 150 .. 00

" in favor of William Phillips 100 .. 00

$ 917 .. 00

The Committee Appointed to Sink a Drain to Remove Nuisance from Premises of Mr. Sam.l W. Pomroy in Brewsters Stock. (Mr. Samuel Barrett & Joseph Eckley having desired to Convey their Waste Water into the same.) Report. The whole Amount for Digging & Laying 240 feet of Drain at 4/ is $ 160 . 00

Assessment Bowdoin St

No 1 Sink Cost $2.25. One Iron Grate $1. 3 . 25

To Entering into the Com.n Sewer in Beacon St. 30 . 0

They Direct the Assessment as follows viz $ 193 . 25

That Sam.l W. Pomroy pay $ 68 . 25

Sam.l Barrett ..... Ditto 65 . 00

Joseph Eckley ..... Ditto 65 . 00 $ 198 . 25

which

Oct' 10th 1808 — At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq' President

Mess'rs Rhoades	Ridgeway
Homes	Williams
Sigourney	May & Bates

The Committee on Vaults Report progress. and have leave to set again.

The Committee on Nuisance in Ship Street the same as above

The Committee on Mr Townsend's bill have liberty to set again.

The Committee on Mr Tomey's Nuisance Report they had attended to the business and Ordered the Assessment and the Money to be Collected.

On Motion, That the fine incured by Morris Sullivan for a Violation of the Internal Health Regulations, be remitted, it was Voted in the Negative.

On Motion that the fine incured by Mess'rs Dunham and others for a Violation as above be remitted it was Voted in the Negative.

The Committee of the Week were Directed to Inquire into the Conduct of Potter respecting Dunhams Vault.—

Adjourned to Monday Sennight

Oct' 24 1808 — At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq' President.

Mess'rs Rimmey. Rhoades. Staples.
Sigourney. Ridgeway. Williams
Cotton. May. & Bore.

The Committee on Vaults. Report progress and leave

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further time to Ascertain the Effect of lime in Vaults.

The Committee on Ship street, Nuisance have leave to sit again.

The Committee on Mr Townsends bill Reported, they were still of the mind that the deduction they made on his bill was correct

The Committee on Wm W. Tenneys Nuisance, Reported that the Drain was Sound &c, and the Nuisance Abated

Voted, That the fine incurred by Potter, one of the Night Cart Men, for a Violation of the Health Regulations by Emptying Mr Durhams Vault into Prove street, be Remitted, on Account of his poverty, and that he be Severely reprimanded

Voted, That Major Russell, Mr Sigourney Capt Rhoades Capt Binney & Capt May be a Committee to take up and act upon the Communication Made by Christopher Gore Esqr in behalf of the Proprietors of the Canal Bridge, Respecting the Wharf at the bottom of Leverett Street, Erected by the Board for the use of the Town's Night Carts.

Voted, That the Board meet on Wednesday Next at 10 O. Clock on the Alms House Wharf—the Proprietors of the Canal Bridge, and that the Secretary be directed to inform Mr Gore of this Vote by Letter.

Voted, That Mr Jeremiah Bridge be requested to meet the Board on Wednesday Next at this Office.

The Committee appointed by the Board at a Meeting on Monday the first of August last to remove certain Nuisances occasioned by Stagnant water in Cellars on North Bennett Street and Love Lane Report, that they have completed the Object except replacing

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The pavement in Love Lane which will be done by the contrac-
-tor so soon as the ground is sufficiently settled. And
find the whole expense of laying Nine hundred and
thirty Seven feet of Common Sewer including repairing the
Streets, is Seven hundred & thirty Seven Dollars and
twenty three Cents $737.23

And that the expense be assessed as follows viz

Edward Procter Esq^r	$ 25.00		
Sarah Leach	10.00		
Eben^r Waters	10.00		
Margaret Dillins	25.00		
Nath^l Barker	10.00		
Simon Wilkenson	25.00		
J Hurd agent	25.00		
Norcross agent	10.00		
William Mackey & Hussey	30.00	194.00	
Robert Lord	10.00		
John Wills & Sister	20.00		
Eph^m Snow	25.00		
Richard Austin agent	25.00		
Benj^a Comey	10.00		
Samuel Gardner Esq^r	25.00		
Thomas Lambert	20.00		
John Bishop	10.00		
Susan Mirick	10.00	173.00	

Thomas Cook	$ 10.00	Brotherson	$ 178.00		
Edward Burt	10.00	Edw^d H. Robbins	30.00		
Saunders	10.00	Joshua Atkins	10.00		
Francis James	10.00	Jedediah Parker	10.00		
Joshua Pitman	10.00	Jacob Wiley	10.00		
John West	10.00	Charles Cushing	10.00		
Daniel Lillie	10.00	Rufus Baxter	10.00		
Sam^l Andrews	10.00	Henry Jones	10.00		
Sarah Coax	10.00	Widow Ridgway	10.00		
William Collier	6.00	Joshua Ellis	10.00		
John Ripley agent	10.00	Dan^l Batchfold	10.00		
Benj^m Cushing	10.00	Town School House	25.00		
Henry Newhall	20.00	Tim^y McMillon	7.00		
	$ 178.00	William Jones	9.00	393.00	$760.70

Voted, That the Report of the Committee be accepted, and

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That the President issue his Warrent to William Phillips Messenger of the Board for Collection of their Assessments.

Voted, That Jeremiah Bridge be requested to Meet the Board on Wednesday Next at this Office.

Voted, That a General termination of the Quarantine take place from & after the 26th Instant.

Voted, that the President Inform the Commander of Fort Independents; and the Collector of the Revenue. and that the Secretary Notify the Visiting Physician Island Keeper & Pilots. and Publish the Above in the Columbian Centinal, & Independent Chronicle

Voted, That the Board Visit Rainsford Island on Wednesday next if Fair weather, and for that purpose Meet at half past Seven O'Clock on India Wharf.

Voted, That Capt Binney & Mr Gore be a Committee of Arrangements. —

Voted, That the Committee be Instructed to Invite the Commander of Fort Independence, the Visiting Physician & Jeremiah Bridge.

Voted that when this Board Adjourn they adjourn to meet on India Wharf at half past Seven O'Clock on Wednesday Morning Next

Adjourned Accordingly

The following was Published

Health-Office Boston, October 24th 1808

Ordered, by the Board of Health. That the Quarantine directed by them, the 23d of last May, do cease and determine on all Vessels, from and after the 26th Inst. Provided, however, that nothing in this Order shall be construed to repeal the following Regulations of the Board. All vessels from any Port or place whatever, having on

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or more sick persons on board, at Hill Seasons of the year, be liable to perform Quarantine; if in the opinion of the Visiting Physician, such trial shall be necessary. And all persons entrusted with the execution of the Regulations of this Board will take notice and govern themselves accordingly.—

By Order of the Board

Benjamin Russell President

A true Copy N. Greenough Sec'y

Oct^br 26^th 1807. Agreeably to Adjournment of the 24^th instant the Board met on India Wharf and Proceeded to Rainsford Island.

Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President.

Mess^rs Binney, Rhoades, Sigourney — Williams, Rideoway, Cotton & Sere

The Board having arrived The State of the Island was Inquired into. The Island Keeper and Physician Informed the Board that the Island was in the same State as when last Examined and there had not been any Laws or Regulations broken or Infringed but what had been Prosecuted according to Law—

Voted, That the Visiting Physician discharge the Briq^t Enterprize & Rubicon after Twelve O'Clock this Night—

Voted, That when the Board Adjourn they Adjourn to Meet on the Alms House Wharf to Morrow at a 11 O'Clock for the purpose Intended by the Vote of the 24 instant—

Adjourned Accordingly

Nov[r] 5th 1808. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day.
Present Benjamin Russell, Esq[r] President.

Mess[rs] Binney, Rhoads, Staples, Sigourney } { Rideaway, Williams, Colton, Hay

The Committee on Vaults Report progress, and had leave to set again.

The Committee on Ship street Nuisance Report, that business Completed.

On the Wharf Nr Boston

The Committee appointed to meet the Committee of the Proprietors of the Canal Bridge Report, they had seen Mr Gore on the business of the Wharf, and had requested him to commit to writing, the wishes of the Proprietors.

Voted, that the Committee prosecute the business to a settlement

Voted, That the Committee of Arrangements Liquidate the bills of expense, of visit to Rumsford Island &c.

Voted, That the Weekly Committee, Take measures and Direct a Quarantine on all Vessels which shall arrive in this Port, from the port of St Marys in the State of Georgia.

Voted, that the Board approve the conduct of their committee on the Brigantine Nestor of 5th instant, vide the book of the committee of the Week.

On Motion, That the Twenty dollars paid for Certificates by the owners of the Brigantines Enterprize & Rubicon be returned, it was Voted in the Negative.

Voted, That when this Board Adjourn they Adjourn to this day fortnight.

Adjourned Accordingly

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In Board of Health

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Ordered, that from the date hereof, all Vessels which shall arrive in this port, from the port of St Marys, in the State of Georgia shall, until the further order of this Board, be held to perform strict Quarantine at Rainsford's Island of which all concerned in the execution of the Health Laws, are required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

A true Copy N. Greenough Sec'ry

Benjamin Russell Sec^{t}

Nov^{r} 21st 1803

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Jacob Rhoades Esq^{r} President Pro. Tem

Mess^{rs} Binney, Staples, Sigourney — Ridgeway, Williams, May

The Committee on Vaults Reported progress and leave to set again.

Voted, That the subject of the Wharf at West Boston be referred to the next Meeting.

Voted, That from and after this day, a Quarantine be had at Rainsford's Island, on all Vessels which shall arrive from Martinica and Guadaloupe, under the direction of the Visiting Physician of which all concerned in the execution of the Health Laws, are required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

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At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benjamin Russell Esq[r] President

Mess[rs] Binney	Sigourney
Rhoades	Ridgeway
Staples	Williams & May

Voted, That the Board approve the doing of Mess[rs] Williams, Sigourney & May in Sloping the Drain near Mr Brimmers More Liberty Square

Voted, That the Committee on Vaults, have leave to sett again.

West Boston Wharf &c

Voted, That the Cornice of the Wharf at West Boston be made

Voted, That Mess[rs] Binney Rhoades & Ridgeway be a committee on the [illegible] Mr John W Quincy application

Voted, That Mess[rs] Gore & Sigourney be a Committee to examine, and see the Scavengers Carts taken care of. Report.

Voted, That Capt Binney be a committee to ascertain the the balance on Assesments & fines levied by the Board, during the Current Year, and the Names and Amount of the delinquents, and report at the next Meeting.

Adjourned to this Day fortnight.

Decem[r] 12[th] 1808

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Mess[rs] Binney	Lee
Rhoades	May
Staples	Bales
Ridgeway	Gore

The Committee on Mr John W. Quincy Application Report, that at present the Subject of his Complaint is not under the Jurisdiction of this Board.

Voted, That the Report of the Committee be accepted.

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The Committee on the Scavengers Carts Report, there where Eight Carts and harness in good Order. and that the Committee, have agreed with M^{r} Jeremiah Bridge to store them for five dollars in Cellar under his Barn for the Winter.

Voted That the Account for Repairing Carts and all those appertaining to that Department be Committed to the Committee of the Scavengers Department. Messrs Rhoades Fuller & Ligourney.

Voted, That the Report of Capt Binney on the Fines & Assessments due be re committed to Messrs Binney, Ridgeway & Rhoades.

The Application of Dan^{l} Welch, was referred to the same Committee

Voted, That the Secretary be Instructed to write to Each delinquent for Assessments for removing Nuisance by Making drains and inform them that unless their several Assessments are paid on or before the Twenty Fifth Inst their bills will be Positively put in Suit against them.

Voted, That the President be Authorized to Draw on the Town Treasurer In favor of the following persons whose bills have been passed by the Committee on Accounts viz. In favor of Jeremiah Bridge for his bill from March 27th to 16 June 130. for extra Work, Forty five dollars $\frac{75}{100}$. In favor of Nath^{l} Thayer for his bill of May 21st 1808 for Glass for the Jail and, Thirty One dollars In favor of Nath^{l} Call for his bill of Oct^{r} 1st 1808 for Plank Nine dollars $\frac{45}{100}$ In favor of Messrs Oliver & Munroe for their bill of June 23 to 29th Nov^{r} 1808 for printing. Eight dollars $\frac{75}{100}$. In favor of Braddock Loring for his bill of 26th June 1808 for Mending Bridge Eight dollars fourteen Cents. In favor of Andrew Townsend for his bill of Nov^{r} 1808 for Ditto. Eight dollars $\frac{00}{100}$. In favor of John Gammell for his Services in the Market Ten dollars In favor of Nath^{l} Greenough for a Quarters Salary One Hundred & fifty dollars. In favor of William Phillips for One Hundred dollars for One Quarters Salary Making together Three Hundred

and Seventy One dollars & fifteen Cents ——

Adjourned to this day fortnight

Decem 12th 1808 Agreeably to the above vote the President this Day drawn the Town Treasurer in favor of the above persons viz.

In favor of Jeremiah Bridge	$ 45.75
In favor of Nath Thayer	31. 0
In Ditto of Oliver & Munroe	8. 75
In Ditto of Braddock Loring	8. 14
In Ditto of Andrew Townsend	8. 6
In Ditto of John Jammell	10. 0
In Ditto Nath Greenough	150. 0
In Ditto of William Phillips	100. 0
In Ditto of Nath Call	9 45
	$371. 15

Capt John Cotton having vacated his seat at the Board by removing from Ward No 9. Capt Geo: T. Lee agreeably to Return from that Ward take his seat. ——

Decem 26 1808 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President.

Messrs Binney, Rhoades, Ridgeway, Williams — Lee, May, Bates, Gore

The Committee on the Scavengers Department not being prepared where desired to Meet and Report at the Next Meeting ——

The Committee appointed at the Last meeting of the Board to reconsider the Report of a former Committee on the Subject of fines and Assessments laid by the Board during the Last year, & the Number and Amount of delinquents, Report that there has been assessed on the Proprietors of Estates on Cornhill & Williams Court the Sum of

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Decem^{r} 26th 1801	The sum of	$602.00	The Cost of which is	$577.60	
	On Clark Street Parron Wharf	139.50	Cost	147.85	
	On Foster Lane	84.07	Ditto	84.07	
	On Cross Street	63.09	Ditto	63.09	
	On Lynn Street	31.00	Ditto	31.00	
	On Prince Street	48.75	Ditto	45.97	
	On Snow Hill Street	109.50	Ditto	109.50	
	on Beacon Street	193.25	Ditto	163.25	
	On North Street	18.11	Ditto	18.11	
	On School Street	76.60		00.00	
	On North Bennett St Lane	760.00	Ditto	737.23	
		$2151.27		$1977.67	

Decem^{r} 21st Due from the above assessments to the Board. viz

from Samuel Lashwood	$19	Matthias Hiler	19$	Jas Emerson	7.25	$45.25
Barker	2.75	John Richardson	8.6			10.81
Daniel Ray	15 00	Eben^{r} Waters	16 0	M Skilling	8$	46.00
Nath^{l} Barker	16.00	S. Wilkins	16.0	Jn^{o} Hurd	25$	57.00
Mackay & Hussey	30 00	M^{r} Mirick	10 "	Sock	16$	56.00
Rob^{t} Lord	16.00	Saunders	10.0	West	10$	36.00
Sam^{l} Gardner	25.00	T Lillie	16.0	Voax	16$	57.00
John Bishop	16 00	Cushing	16.0	Newhall	20 "	52.00
E. H Robbins	30.00	Jos^{h} Atkins	16.0	J Parker	16 "	62.00
I Hiler	16 00	C. Leach	16.0	H Jones	16 "	48.00
Jam^{s} M^{c} Millon	7.00	Wm Jones & Ridgway	10.	Batchfold	16.	43.00
						$513.06

Viz the following fines have been assessed and paid viz

On John Frazer	10$	Expence removal of Nuisance	6.50 $16.50
On Isaac Packard	Fines 15$	expence 23$	$21 ---- 38.21
On John H Mewes	for breach of Quarantine Laws		40.0
On Moses Wallach	Fine 5$	expence 3$	---- 8.0
On Peter Veron	Fine		5.0
On James Allen	Ditto		10.0
On Robin Jacobs	Ditto		5.0
On Jon^{a} Merry 2	Ditto	5$ each	10.0
On Paul Revere Esq^{r}	Ditto		5.0
On Samuel Parkman Esq^{r}	Ditto		5.0
On Matthew Hersey	Ditto		5.0
On William Taylor	Ditto		10.0
On Ramsdill	Ditto	10$ half remitted	5.0
		Carried up	$162.71

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Amount brought up			$ 162.71
On Callender & Jenkins	5 $. expence	2 $	7.00
On William Thurston Esq'	Fine	5 $	5.00
On Samuel Harris	Ditto		5.00
On Wilson & Shipley	Ditto	5 $ each	10.00
On William Marshall	Ditto	5. expence 3 5/6	8.16
On Dunham & Darling	Ditto	10 $	10.00
On William Welch	Ditto	5 $	5.00
On Wheelock	Ditto	5 $	5.00
On Morris Sullivan	Ditto	5 $	5.00
On John Bromford	Ditto	5 $	5.00
On William Thurston Esq'	Ditto	5 $ expence 7 8	12.00
			$240.47
That there has been paid into the Treasurer a Fine assessed last Year on Capt Mills for a Breach of quarantine Laws			100.0
			$340.47

That the following persons have been fined & assessed the sums against their Names which has not been collected viz.

Peter Thacher Esq'	Fine	5 $	
James Otis	Do	5 $	Suspended
Jon" Chapman Esq'	Do	5 $	Expence 50 Cts Remitted
Benj" Wells	Fine	5 $	
Jon" Merry	Ditto	10 $	
Saml Cleveland	Ditto	5 $	Suspended
Clayton	Ditto	5 $	
Robbins		5 $	
Homer		5 $	
Benj" Wheeler	Fine	5 $	
William Thurston	Do	5 $	
William Welsh	Do	5 $	Remitted

Thomas Cushing Fine 10 $ Expence 1 18 $ 88 — $ 128.88
Assessed Mrs Prudence Scott last Year Unpaid — 122.75
Assessed Capt Tho Hopkins Ditto Ditto Ditto — 15.00
Assessed Charles Bulfinch Esq' Last Year Unpaid — 3.00

The Committee Recommend that measures be immediately taken to collect the above fines and assessments or that the Board remit them to delinquents that the Books of the Office may be settled.

They also recommend that the subject of the arrearages of Assessments as stated on the other Page some of the delinquents of which having applied for extension of time to pay.

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or a reduction of the Amount Assessed on them. be referred to Special committee of three Members. with full powers to hear the parties. Extend the time of payment, or reduce the Amount Assessed on any individual. if there should be sufficient cause in the opinion of the committee. ——

Voted, That Capt Binney Capt Rhoades & Capt May be a Special committee with full powers to hear the parties extend the time of payment, or Reduce the Amount Assessed on any individual if there should be sufficient cause in the opinion of the Committee

Voted, That Messrs Sec, Ridgeway & Williams be a Committee to adjust and take Measures to collect the fines Assessed. Or that the Board remit them to the delinquents. ——

The Committee to whom was referred the application of Doc^r Thomas Welsh at the last meeting having taken into consideration that application, now Report. That from the Records of the Board of the 9^th May last his Salary was fixed at Nine Hundred Dollars. That there has been paid him from the Treasurer of the Board the Sums as follows viz July 9^th 180

Cash p^r Receipt	$150.0	
August 3^d Cash p^r Ditto	50.0	
July 18 1808 by a Draft on Town Treasurer	225.0	$425.00
And that there remains due that Gentleman		475.00

which the Committee recommend should be paid him by a Draft on the Town Treasurer ——

Voted, That the application of M^r Thomas Spear in behalf of himself & Boatmen be Committed to the Committee on Salaries. Messrs Rhoades Binney & Sigourney & that they attend to the Subject as recommended in their Report of May 9^th 1808 —

Voted, That Messrs Sec, Russell & Rhoades be a Committee on the Wharf at the bottom of Severell Street with full powers respecting the same

Adjourned to this Day fortnight

Sept^r 9^th The President this Day Drew (agreeably to the above recommendation which was Accepted. In favor of D^r Thomas Welsh) on the Town Treasurer for four Hundred & Seventy five Dollars.

January 9th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq.r President

Mess.rs Binney, Maples, Ridgeway } { Lee, May, Bates & Gore

The Committee on Assessments Reported, they had collected part of the Assessments and settled with some of the Delinquents And ask further time.

Voted, That the Committee have further time allowed them

The Committee on Fines Reported progress.

The Committee on Mr Thomas Spear's Application, not having met, where allowed further time on that Subject.

The Committee on Accounts Reported, they had Examined the bill of Mr Jeremiah Bridge and find it Correspondent with the contract made with him as Superintendent of the Scavengers. That he has received by Drafts on the Town Treasurer viz.

May 8th 1808	$300.00
July 2 "	400 " 00
August 8th "	400 " 00
October 3 "	500 " 00
Making	1600 " 00

And that the Board do Authorize the President to draw on the Town Treasurer in favor of Mr Bridge for the Ballance Five Hundred & Sixty six dollars & 67/100 566.67

Voted, That the Accounts of Messrs. William Hersey, Ephraim Thayer and Elias Cobb Examined & past by the Committee on Accounts be allowed and paid by the Board.

Voted That a Draft in favor of the above to the Amount of their bills; and in favor of Mr Thomas Spear for One Hundred & fifty dollars on Account of his Salary be included in the above draft.

Voted, That the Bank bills called the Farmers bank in the Hands of the Treasurer of the Board Capt Binney, Received by them for Debts due the Board, be sold for the most they will fetch.

January 9th 1809 — The Committee on the Night Carts Reported, That it necessary to employ some suitable person or persons to superintend the same, whose duty it shall be, previous to the first Wednesday in April, to see that all necessarys are emptyd that come within the Limits of the Law

Voted, that Messrs Fore, Bates & Ridgeway be a Committee to find some suitable person or person & present their Names, with regulations for carrying the same into effect, at the Next Meeting of the Board

Adjourned to this Day fortnight

" Agreeably to the above Note the President Drew on the Town Treasurer In favor of Mr Bridge Superintendent of the Scavenger for his ballance as above Stated $566.67

In favor of Mr William Merey for Repair of Carts 18.81

In favor of Mr Ephraim Thayer for Ditto 64.51

In favor of Mr Elias Cobb ..... for Ditto 15.76

In favor of Mr Thomas Spear 150,00

$845,75

Monday Jany 23d 1809 — Agreeably to rule Sundry Members met at the Office but on account of the Town Meeting at 10 O'Clock they didnot make a quorum.

February Monday 6th 1809 — Agreeably to rule a number of the Board met viz The President, Messrs Sigourney, Williams Ridgeway, Lee Fore but not makeing a Quorum after waiting One Hour they

Adjourned to Monday Next

February 13th 1809

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Hos[t] Binney, Rhoades, Staples, Sigourney, Ridgeway
Williams, Lee, Bates, Gore

The Committee on Assessments for Drains Reported progress. and had further time allowed them.

The Committee on uncollected Fines and assessments. and to recommend the Steps necessary for the settlement of the same Report, That Peter Thatcher, H Wilkins, Saml Cleaveland, Wm Clayton Benjamin Weller, James Otis & William Thurston. against whom there is a fine of five dollars having been previously suspended Should have been discharged

Voted, That the fines against the above persons be remitted.

The Committee further Report That it is necessary to put Jonathan Merry's fine ten dollars, into the hands of M'Austin or some other Attorney to collect,

Voted, To accept the Report on Cap[t] Jon[a] Merry's fine and that the same be referred to the Committee formerly on that business for them to take measures to collect the same before the next Meet.

The Committee, Report that M[rs] Truelove Scott's Assessment ought to be remitted,

On Motion, That the Assessment on M[rs] Truelove Scott for Drain from her premises in Common Street be remitted it was Voted in the Negative.

M[rs] Scott. See Rec[d] Book

Voted, That the Above Assessment of One Hundred and Seventy two Dollars 75/100 be charged against her (M[rs] Truelove Scott) and that she be called on for it from time to time till paid

Voted, That the Assessment Standing against Charles Bulfinch Esq[r] for Three dollars be remitted.

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Voted, that the Assessment standing against Capt Thomas Hopkins for fifteen dollars, be referred to the committee on that subject to act on that business as they see fit, either to remit or exact the same.

Voted, that the committee on Mr Thomas Spear's application have further time to report.

The committee to find some suitable person or persons to superintend the night carts. Report, they have attended to the business and conversed with Mr Dere Bridge on the subject, and find he is going to furnish himself with Machines for emptying Vaults. They would therefore recommend the postponement of the subject. It being the opinion of your Committee that a competition for the Work, between him & the persons usually employed would operate favourably for the Board & town.

Voted, that the above subject of Night Carts be suspended

Voted, that the committee on accounts viz Capt Williams, Capt May and Capt Rimmey with the Visiting Physician, be a committee to settle the accounts for the State poor, between the Board and the Commonwealth.

Adjourned to this day fortnight

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Agreeably to Rule a Number of the Board met this Day viz Mess[rs] Rimmey, Rhoades, Staples Ridgeway Williams & Bates, but not making a Quorum Adjourned to next Monday

March 6th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq[r] President

Mess[rs] Rimmey, Rhoades, Staples—, Homes—, Sigourney — Ridgeway, Williams, Lee, May, Bates & Dore

The committee on Assessments Reported progress,

March 1st and had further time allowed them.

1809 — The Committee to whom was referred Capt Thomas Hopkins's Apointment, Reported he was gone to Sea.

Voted, That the Committee be directed to prosecute him for the same. — Immediately —

The Committee to whom was referred the account of the Keeper of Rainsfords Island, and also his Application for compensation in addition to the sum Voted him by the Board as his salary on the 9th of May last. Report. That in consideration of the strict attention and faithfull services of Mr Spear the Island Keeper. during the period of Quarantine in particular and generally at all times. And in consideration of his insulated situation & deprives him of the opportunity of securing the means of subsistance for his family turning his attention to avocations other than those which have for a number of years profitably engrossed his whole time, And from the great diminution of Navigation and consequently the small number of vessels quarantined during the last Year compared with those of the preceding years which has been a very material source of income. The committee recommend that the Board make him a special grant of Fifty Dollars in addition to the sume of Two Hundred & fifty Voted him on the 9th of May last. And that he be allowed twenty Dollars p Month for the services of Mr Cox employed by him to ply in the Island boat instead of fifteen as voted in may. The reasons which have induced the Committee to recommend an increase of wages to the boatman is. Mr Spear has been obliged actually to pay that price in Order to secure the services of a man every way calculated for the duty, and in many respects much better qualified for the Station he filled then most other men. Mr Cox is a man dependant on his own exertions for the support of himself and family. which could

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not be done in any tolerable manner for less than 20$ ₱ Month
And we are of opinion Mr Spear should be justified in retain-
ing a Man in his service who has so long given universal satis-
faction; 2nd In preceding years Mr Spear has been allowed to
employ two boatmen and charged that price for their wages
together with their board, whereas this year he is allowed
only one, which has operated a saving to the Board of
One Hundred and sixty seven Dollars. 3 If the Board adhear
to their Vote in May and allow no more than fifteen dollars
₱ Month to the boatman, the difference being twenty five
Dollars must be sustained by Mr Spear. The Committee
add that in the event of this report being accepted by the Board
the Account with Mr Spear will stand as follows—

Salary voted Mr Spear in May 1808 —	$250.00
Special grant in Feby 1809 — — — — —	50.00
Amount of his bill for boatmans wages Board & Passes for fort Independance —	170.50
	$470.50

That he has received from the Board
as follows Draft on Town Treasurer
May 30th 1808 — — — — — — — — — $120.00
Jany 9th 1809 — — — — — — — — — 150.00
Cash from Treasurer of the Board
Sept 12th 19th — — — — 50.00
Oct 7th 19th — — — — 50.00

Leaving a ballance due Mr Spear
to be paid by Draft on Town Treasurer $100.50

$470.50

Voted, to accept the Report of the Committee as above stated
and that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer in favor of
Mr Thomas Spear for One Hundred dollars & fifty Cents.

The Committee appointed to settle the Accounts of the
Board with the Commonwealth for State poor sick &c

B The Draft not having been made in favor of Mr Spear was ordered the 29th instant — to be recorded —

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Rainsfords Island Report, They had attended that duty and left the Account with the Committee of the House to pass the same

Voted, That a Committee be appointed to examine the books and settle the Accounts of the Treasurer & Secretary of the Board

Voted, That the Committee on Accounts be this committee

The Committee on the Nuisance in Leggetts Alley Report,

That the expence of removing the same by Drain & Common Sewer is as follows viz

Bills of Labour	$ 140.25
Jn° Wait for Bricks	112.00
Russell & Loring for Slate	51.97
Perry for Boards & Nails	17.80
Drink	15.2
	$337.4
Deduct for advance made by the Board in Cash in part pay of the same	130.0
	$207.4

And that the ballance be assessed on the following persons viz.

Seth Lothrop	one Share	$ 16.00
Daniel Lillie	one & a half Share	24.00
Doan Snow	half Ditto	8.00
Noah Dagget	One Share	16.00
Paul Baxter	One Ditto	16.00
Peter Green	One Ditto	16.00
Joseph Watts	half Ditto	8.00
Ann White	half Ditto	8.00
Eleanor Ballestor	One Share	16.00
Eben° White	half Ditto	8.00
Ellin Burns	half Ditto	8.00
Mrs Sandragan	half Ditto	8.00
Esther Jeff	One Ditto	16.00
Samuel Barber	One Ditto	16.00
Lydia Parkman	half Ditto	8.00
Edw° Oliver	One Ditto	16.00
Tha° Tilden	One Ditto	16.00
Nickey Walker	One Ditto	16.00
		$ 240.00

The Length of Common Sewer below Ship Street which is the Outlet of the water that falls on Ship Street for a great distance was for the whole of

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of Salutation & Daggetts Alley and always was supported by the Town is 100 feet, and is Made Nine Bricks high and two feet wide, The length of Drain up Daggetts Alley is two Hundred & Eighty feet and made the same Size except the last forty feet, Making the whole length of drain Three hundred and Eighty feet Near One hundred below Ship Street further than was originally estimated by your Committee

That Noah Daggett has paid in part $12.00
Edward Oliver ... in Ditto 10.00
Suky Walker ... in Ditto 10.00
George Green ... in Ditto 9.00
$41.00 which

Deducted from the Amount Expended by the Committee (Two Hundred and Seven dollars 4/100) There is left Expended $166.4

And that the Messenger be authorized to Collect the above Assessment in due form ——

Voted, That the Report of the Committee as above Stated be accepted and that the Assessment be made in due form for the Messenger to Collect the same. ——

Voted, That the Account of Capt Jacob Rhoades presented the Town for Extra Work on the Drain from Daggetts Alley, not included in the above Charges and paid by him to William Bell & others Amounting to Seven dollars 50/100 as passed by the Committee on Accounts be paid by the Treasurer

Adjourned to Monday Next

13th Monday March 13 1809 A being Town meeting and a Quorum not attending at the Office The Committee of the Week Ordered a Meeting of the Board on Monday Next ——

20th Monday March 20th 1809 A Quorum not attending and the Committee on Accounts not ready to report. Adjourn'd Next Monday

March 27th 1809. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Capt Jacob Rhoades President pro tem

Messrs Binney	Ridgeway
Staples	Williams
Homes	May
Sigourney	Bales & Gore

The Committee on Accounts Reported That two of their number having been out of town last week they wished further time

Voted, That the Committee on Accounts have further time allowed them.—

Half past 4 P.M. Voted, That the Secretary be instructed to Notify the Inhabitants to meet in their Several Wards at the Places Mentioned at four O. Clock P.M. on Wednesday the fifth of April next

was given on the Records this day.—

For Choice of new Members for Weekly Clerk Voted, That when this Board adjourn they adjourn to Wednesday Next at 3. O. Clock P.M.

Voted, to Adjourn to Wednesday next as above.——

Wednesday 29th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell, Esq. President

Messrs Binney	Williams
Rhoades	Lee
Homes	May
Sigourney	Bales
Ridgeway	Gore

The Committee on the Nuisance in Salutation Alley in July last Report.

That the Expence as Bill for removing is . . . $15.30

And That

Tilley Whitcomb	Sink 5$ & Cop drain 2.50		
	1 Share 2.50	$10.00	
Daniel Lillie	One Share	2.50	
Wm Butler	One Dillo	2.50	
Thomas Pace	One Dillo	2.50	17.50

Voted, That the Report be accepted & that the President issue his warrant to William Phillips Messenger for Collection of the Assessment.

Wednesday
March 29th 1809 The Committee on Accounts to whom was assigned the duty of settling the accounts of the Board & Reporting a statement of Receipts and Expenditures during the current Year for Publication, Having minutely examined the Money transactions of the Board.

Report as the result of their investigation

first. the following Statement for the Quarantine department.

Dr Quarantine Cr

To Visiting Physician Salary	$ 900. 00	By Certificates for 49 foreign Vessels quarantined @ 10$	490. 00
" Island Keepers Salary	250. 00	" Certificates for 9 Coasting &c Vessels quarantined @ 5$	45. 00
" special grant to Island keeper	50. 00	" Certificates for 6 Vessels examined at office @ 25 ct	1„ 50
" Boatmans Wages	167. 50	" 51 Permits for Persons to land at Island @ 25 ct	12„ 75
" Fees short Independance	3. 00	" Cash of State Treasurer for State poor at Island	696. 00
" Doct Welsh for States poor Sick	240„ 50	" Ballance charged in the general Acct	1170. 62
" Island Keeper board & nursing &c	455„ 50		
" Printing and Stationary	44„ 50		
" Flags and Incidental expences	41„ 00		
" Materials for cleansing Vessels	13„ 80		
" Expense of the Board visiting Island	235„ 07		
" gratuity to Bargemen & for Assistance	15„		
	$2415„ 87		$2415„ 87

Second, a Statement of the General Account as follows

Dr„ General Account Cr„

To Ballance of quarantine acct	$ 1170. 62	By Fines received for breaches of Health & Quarantine Laws	$ 350. 47
" Scavengers contract for Seven Carts	2166. 67	" Assessments received on acct of Drains & Sewers	1959. 29
" J. Bridge for removing extra nuisances	45. 75	" Drafts on Town Treasury	5015. 26
" Repairs of Carts & Harness	144. 58		
" Repairs of Night Cart Wharfe	25. 65		
" H. Newman Rent of do	40. 00		
" P. Damage for Services in Market	10. 00		
" Printing and Stationary	81. 12		
" Wood & Incidental expences of Office	69. 93		
" Discount on Farmers & Bank Bills in Treasurers hand when they depreci	39. 00		
" Expence paving Board Alley & Sinking drains from Pumps Fish St & Boston Lane	83. 41		
" Expence of Drains & Common Sewers Ordered by the Board & Assessors on abutters	2142. 29		
" Secretary Salary	600. 00		
" Messengers Salary	400.		
	$ 7325. 02		$ 7325. 02

from which,

March 24th 1809 — and a comparison with the statements of the preceding year it appears that only Fifty Eight Vessells have performed quarantine the last year, who have paid for Certificates Nine Hundred & Thirty five dollars, whereas the preceding year two hundred & three Vessells performed quarantine and paid for certificates Eighteen Hundred & Seventy Dollars. Yet notwithstanding this great diminution in the principal source of Receipts for the support of the external regulations of the Board, they by prudent by curtailing the items of expence, and by avoiding all that were not deemed absolutely necessary, have been able to support the system of quarantine by drawing from the Town Eleven Hundred Seventy Dollars & Sixty two Cents, which is but Four Hundred twenty-nine Dollars & forty two cents more than was drawn for that purpose in 1807; altho the receipts for Certificates has been thirteen Hundred thirty five Dollars less than they were for that year.

And by the General account it will be seen, that the whole Expence of the Institution to the Town for the last year, has been Five Thousand & fifteen Dollars & twenty six cents. which is Five Hundred Eighteen Dollars & seventeen cents less than the Expence of 1807. Notwithstanding the augmented ballance against the Town for the Quarantine department Amounts to four Hundred twenty nine Dollars & forty two cents.

Third — That the outstanding assessments for account of common sewers &c are as follow —

Timothy M'Millon's Note		$ 7,00	Bridge	Assessment	$ 87,00
Daniel Ray	do	15,00	E. Ballister		16,00
Jedediah Parker	do	16,00	E. White		8,00
Charles Leach	do	16,00	E. Burrus		8,00
William Jones	do	4,00	Mrs Landragen		2,00
Matthias Miller	do	19,00	E. Goff		16,00
Samuel Brintnall	do	10,00	S Barber		16,00
Mrs Lillie admin[r] to Dan[l] Lillie		16,00	L Parkeman		2,00
Simeon Wilkinson	Do	25,00	E Olmet		6,00
Phineas Wilkinson	Do	113,88	C Silden		16,00
		$241,88	S. Walker		6,00
S. Lothrop, Assessment		$16,00	S. Whitcomb		10,00
A Lillie	"	24,00	D. Lillie		2,50
Daan Snow	"	8,00	Mrs Butler		2,50
P. Baxter	"	16,00	J. Page		2,50
E. Green	"	7,00			$212,50
J. Wells	"	8,00	Notes of Hazard & Co[n]		241,88
A White	"	8,00	Acc[t] of F. Scott		122,75
		$87,00	" Mrs Hopkins in Suit		15,00
			Making together the Amount now Due the Board		$592,13

March 24th 1809. which deducted from the Drafts on Town Treasurer am$ $5015,,26

would leave the actual expence of the Board the last year to be $4423 13

deduct that sum from the expence of the board in 1807 am$ 5533-43

making the differance of expence less in 1808 than in 1807 $1110,,30

Your committe would observe that they have used their utmo exertions to collect all monies due the Board previous to the expiratio of the year, but in consequence of the peculiar embarrasments of the times they have not been able to collect the whole. from such as were deemed able and professed a willingness to pay. at a short period. they hav been Induced to take Notes payable to the President of the Board or his Order on demand; Except the delinquents on Daggetts Alley & Calulation Alley, The assesments of which were so recently made out as not to allow time for them to collect or to liquidate by notes.

Your Committe have exercised the power delegated them, by remitting several assessments on persons whom they ascertained were actually unable to pay without causing real distress. such are Widow Ridgway 16$ Widow Doax 16$ Merick 10$ and they have remitted in part of Mr Skillins 3$ W Jones 4$ T. Cook 3$ B. Cushing 6$

It will be seen by the General account that the whole cost of Drai & Sewers other than those for the Town, Amounts to the sum of $2448. 29

That the receipts from assesments therefor Amounts to 1959,,29

leaving a ballance against the Board of $489,,00

That the Amount due the Board on Notes Assesments & for same purpose } 592,,13

Leaving a ballance in favour of the Board over & above the cost of $103,,13

which Remains to the Board a fund to cover in case of real inability any of the delinquents to pay their assesments.

Fourth, Your committee found on stating the Account of th Treasurer of the Board, a ballance in his hands of $120,,46 and they have placed to his credit sundry small Bills as follows

Ballance due A Binney	$87,,17
Daniel Daggetts bill	2,,00
E. Loring	5,,50
Educ Staples	1,,50
Eben Larkin	3,,13
J Oakam	20,,88
J. Rhoades in part	,,28
	$120,,46

which when he has paid those sums will leave his account exactly ballanced.

Fifth, that the following Items are included in the Amou

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draft from Town Treasurer as stated in the Gen' Account altho not yet drawn for and which your committee recommend should now be drawn and then the whole Account as stated will stand correct.

In favour of Thomas Spear as Voted 6th current		$100„50
Ditto	Jacob Rhoades	132„00
Ditto	Neth' Greenough Secretary	150„00
Ditto	William Phillips Assessor	100„00
Ditto	Thomas Bumstead	33„00
		$515„50

making in the whole Five Hundred fifteen Dollars & fifty Cents

Rob' Williams
Sam' May
Amos Binney } committee on Accounts

Att'd N Greenough Secy

Voted, That the Report be accepted and that the Secretary place the same on Record

Voted, That this subject be committed to a committee to publish such parts of the report as they think proper for the information of their constituents.

Voted, That Messr' Williams May & Binney be this committee

Voted, That a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer in favour as above recommended.

Voted, That the thanks of this Board be given to Benjamin Russell, Esq' for his attentive and faithful services as President and Treasurer of this Board the year past

Voted, That when this Board Adjourn they adjourn without Day

Adjourned accordingly

Agreeably to the above vote the President this Day drew on the Town Treasurer as follows viz.

In favour of Thomas Spear		$100„50
Ditto	„ Jacob Rhoades	132„00
Ditto	„ Neth' Greenough	150„00
Ditto	„ William Phillips	100„00
Ditto	„ Thomas Bumstead	33„00
		$515„50

Boston April 7th 1809

The Clerks of all the Wards having reported to the President of the Board of Health. the choice of Gentlemen who had accepted the trust to serve as Members of the Board for the ensuing year viz.

In Ward N°1. Capt Amos Binney. In Ward N°2. Capt Francis Green

3. Mr David Jones.	N°4. Mr William Homes
5. Mr Lynde Walter.	6. Mr James Ridgeway
7. Majr Benjn Russell.	8. Mr Richd D. Tucker
9 Capt George G. Lee.	10 Capt Samuel May
11 Deacn Daniel Bates.	12. Mr Jeremiah Gore

The same were severally notified to meet at the Health Office in Faneuil-Hall on Saturday (the 8th) at three quarters past 12. O'Clock to organize the Board.—

Saturday April 8th 1809

The Members returned from the several Wards met agreeably to notice at the Health Office, at the time above mentioned

Benjamin Russell, Esq. President,

for the time being took the Chair

The Returns from the several Wards were examined by the President and reported correct; Except Ward N°3. the choice of the Clerk of which was not attested by the presiding Member at the Ward meeting. On which Mr D. Jones. Member from N°3. retired

Voted, That the subject matter of the Return from Ward N°3. subside till after the organization of the board.

On motion that the Members present proceed to the Choice of a President.

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed to receive & count the votes for President.

Voted, That Messrs Walter, Binney & May be this committee.

The committee chosen for the above purpose, reported. That the whole number of votes were Nine, and that Majr Benjn

April 8th 1809 — Russell had a Majority and was Chosen President of the Board of Health for the ensuing year. —

On Motion That the Board proceed to the Choice of a Secretary.

Voted, That the same committee be requested to receive sort and count the votes for Secretary. —

The committee reported that the Number of votes were ten & and that Nathaniel Greenough had a majority and was chosen. the President then informed Mr N. Greenough that he was chosen Secretary for the ensuing Year, and then administered to him the following Oath viz.

I Nathaniel Greenough do swear to make a faith full record of all the Votes proceedings, and Regulations of the Board of Health; and faithfully perform all the Duties incumbent on me as Secretary of the said Board, to the utmost of my capacity, during my continuance therein. So help me God. —————————— Nath[l] Greenough Secy

Sworn before me. Benj[a] Russell, President.

On Motion. The Board proceeded to the choice of a Messenger. Mr William Phillips being Nominated was Chosen. by hand vote

Voted, That the returns of Members & Clerks from the several Wards be committed to a Committee of three.

Voted, That Capt May Capt Binney & Mr Walter be this committee

Voted, That when this Board adjourn they adjourn to meet on Monday next at 9 O'Clock A.M.

Voted to Adjourn to Monday next as above

April 10th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day.

Present Benjamin Russell, Esq. President.

Mess[rs] Binney, Green, Dennis, Hennies, Walter

Ridgeway, Thicker, May, Bates, Gore

Sworn

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The Committee to whom was referd the examination of the returns of the Members Elect of the Board of Health and Clerks of the several Wards, having attended the duty assignd them; Report that all the said returns, as also the returns of Clerks chosen in the several Wards appear to be correct.

On Motion Voted, That the Rules and Orders for the Government of the Board the last year be read.

Voted, That the Rules and Orders, now read be taken up one by one, and acted upon separately.

Voted, That the following Rules & Orders be adopted for the regulation of the Board the ensuing year. viz

Article 1st

There Shall be a stated Meeting of the Board every Monday, to commence the 17th Instant at 9 O'Clock A.M. until the First Week in October; and Once a fortnight the remainder of the year; Seven Members shall be necessary to form a Board.

Art 2d.

In the absence of the President a President pro. Tem. shall be appointed.

Art 3d.

The Members shall take their seats at the Board in Numerical order, the Member of Ward №1. on the right hand; and the Member of Ward №2. on the left hand of the President.

Art 4th.

In all debates, the speaker shall address the President and there shall be no Interruption of a Member speaking, except to call him to order.

Art 5th.

The Majority of Votes of the Members present shall be considered, as the Act of the Board: but any member may enter his dissent to any measure on the Records of

the Board, and no Vote shall be reconsidered by a less number then there were present, when the same was passed.

Art 6th

No Member of the Board shall withdraw himself with out leave from the President.

Art 7th

An Inviolable Secrecy, shall be Observed by the Members of the names of all persons entering complaints. And the Officers of the Board are Enjoined Strictly to Observe this Article.

Art 8th

Punctuality, as to the Time of Meeting of the Board shall be Strictly Observed; and no person other then the Officers of the Board, shall be admitted during its deliberations

Art 9th

The Board, Shall be divided into Committees of Three Each, to be styled the Committee for the Week, of the Board of Health; The Members of which shall sit daily in rotation, and during their continuance in Office shall have power to carry into execution all Laws, Rules & Regulations, of the Board; Shall make Records of their proceedings, for the General inspection of the Members, and when ever they Judge it Necessary, Call Special meetings of the Board.

Art 10th

No Member, shall be obliged to serve on more then Two Committees. excepting the Committee of the Week, Unless all the Members are on that number.

Art 11.

The Treasurer, Secretary and Messenger, shall keep Books to Enter all Moneys which they may receive & pay, belonging to the Board; which Books, shall at all times be Open for the Inspection of the Members of the Board.

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Committee on Internal Health Regulations Messrs Russell, Walter & Binney

On Quarantine Regs Messrs Russell Gore & Tucker

On Accounts Messrs May, Binney & Tucker

Committee on Scavengers Depart Messrs Gore, Binney & Lee

Voted, That Messrs Russell, Walter & Binney be a Committee to report the internal Health regulations for the ensuing year.

Voted, That Messrs Russell, Gore & Tucker be a Committee to report Quarantine Regulations.

Voted, That Messrs May, Binney & Tucker, be the committee on Accounts for the year ensuing.

Voted, That Messrs Gore, Binney & Lee be a committee to report Regulations for the Scavengers Department

Voted, That the Members of the Board, be divided in the following Order which shall be stiled the Committee for the Week viz

Wards

Committee No 1.

Capt Amos Binney No 1
Mr Lynde Walter 5
Capt George D. Lee 9

Committee No 2.

2 Capt Francis Green,
6 Mr James Ridgeway
10 Capt Samuel May

Committee No 3.

Mr David Jones No 3
Majr Benj Russell 7
Deacn Daniel Bates 11

Committee No 4.

4 Mr William Homes
8 Mr Richard D. Tucker
12 Mr Jeremiah Gore Junr

Voted, That the Board, proceed to the Choice of a Treasurer Major Russell, the late Treasurer, having declined serving.

On Motion Voted, That Capt Binney & Capt May be a committee To receive sort & count the Votes for Treasurer. The votes being collected, the committee Reported the majority of Votes were for Mr Jeremich Gore Junr.

Voted, That Mr Jeremiah Gore Junr be Treasurer of the Board of Health the ensuing Year.

Voted, That Messrs Russell, Green & Bates be a Committee to Report what Money it will be necessary for the Town to raise for the use of the Board the Ensuing Year.

April 16th 1809 Voted, That Messrs Russell, Homes & Walter be a Committee to report on the Salaries to be paid the Officers of the board the ensuing year.

Voted, That the Secretary be instructed to Contract with the Printers of the Columbian Centinel & Independent Chronicle for printing the ensuing year. And to inform the other Printers that the Board will not allow them more than ten dollars a year for publishing any of their proceedings; Unless by special Order of the board. ——

Voted, That the Secretary be directed to inform the Chairmen of the several committees, how, and at all times Chosen, of the subject they are to act upon: and the Names of the other members of the Committee.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 O'Clock

April 17th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Messrs Binney, Green, Jones, Homes, Walter; Ridgeway, Tucker, Lee, May, Bates, Gore

The Committee upon the internal health Regulations made a report which after some debate & amendment was adopted as follows — and directed to be published in the Columbian Centinel and Independent Chronicle.

In Board of Health, Boston April 17th 1809.

Ordered, That the following Regulations for preventing and removing Nuisances, have the force of Laws, from and after Monday the 24th day of April, current: —

"House Dirt, &c

Art 1st No person or persons shall be allowed to throw

April 17th 1869 or bring into any street, square, lane or alley, any house dirt filth or sweepings of any kind, or any dead animal substance, between the 10th day of May, and the 10th day of November ensuing. But all such house dirt, filth, sweepings or animal substance shall be deposited in tight vessels, and kept in some convenient situation for the drivers of the Scavengers carts to take away.

And no person shall be allowed to cast any dead animals, vegetable substances or sweepings of any vessel, into any of the docks, the mill pond, or any other place between the channel and the shore; nor to land the same, or any foul and infected ballast, or other substance, on any Wharf or landing place, within the town.— And any dead animal thrown into the channel shall have a sufficient weight affixed to it, to prevent its floating to the shore. Whenever any quantity of dirt, saw-dust, soot, shavings, straw animal substance, or filth of any kind shall be found in any cellar, yard, or other premises, or be thrown into any street, square, lane or alley, the owner, or occupier, of such cellar, yard, or other premises, where found; or the owner or occupier of the premises from whence such dirt, saw dust, &c had been removed, shall cause the same to be carried away, at his or her expense within four hours after notification in writing, to such place as this board, or any one or more of its members shall direct on pain of prosecution for neglect.

Waste Water.

Art. 2. The owners or occupiers of houses, buildings, or lands, shall cause all Waste water from their premises to be conveyed from their cellars, yards, sinks, pumps and vacant lands, through drains under ground to common sewers; or to such Reservoirs, sunk under ground to receive the same, as a committee of this board shall approbate.

Vaults, Privies &c.

April 17th 1809 Art. 3d. The owners of vaults, or privies, and the occupiers of the howse or howses, store or stores, to which they belong or are attached, shall not permit the contents of such vaults, or privies, to rise within two feet of the surface of the earth; and if such contents are found within two feet of such surface, the owner or owners, occupier or occupiers, may be prosecuted without previous notice. And no vault, or privie, shall be emptied between the first day of June, and the first day of November, without a permit from this board, and by persons authorized for that purpose.

Stable Manure.

Art 4th. The owners, or occupiers, of livery and other stables, shall not permit more than two cart loads of manure to accumulate and remain in or near their stables, at any one time, between the first day of May, and the first day of November.

Market Stalls.

Art 5th. Persons occupying stalls in Hannah Hull market-house, the Market-place, and Dock Square shall daily, in the morning, during the months of June, July, August, and October, wash or cleans their respective stalls: They shall not permit any heads, feet, or offals of dead animals, or vegetables of any kind, to remain in or about their stalls over night:— They shall take up and remove the platforms of their respective stalls on the first day of June, and shall not replace them until the first day of November ensuing; during which period, meats of any kind, shall not be exposed in the Market, or any other place within the Town, excepting in stalls, carts, or other vehicles which shall be covered from the rays of the sun.

Graves, Cemeteries, &c.

Art. 6th. All graves which may be dug within the town, for the interment of the dead, shall be at least six feet deep from the original surface of the earth: And the wardens or proprietors of Churches under which dead bodies are deposited, shall cause at least three bushels of good stone lime to be slaked in the cemeteries

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of each church, on the first and fifteenth of July. August & September. And the said wardens or proprietors shall cause all tombs which may be opened for deposit of dead bodies, between the first of July and Thirtieth of September, to be closed and painted with lime within twenty four hours after such deposit.—

Swine and Goats.

Art. 7.th Swine and goats shall not be kept within the limits of the town by any person, without a licence from this board, and such person giving bond to keep such swine or goats clean, and confined in situations which will not be offensive to the neighbourhood.

Fresh Fish.

Art. 8. All Fish, before brought into this town, shall have been first gutted, and the fish made clean. Fresh fish (excepting such as are named in the succeeding article) shall not be offered for sale between the first day of May, and the Fifteenth day of October, after 8 O'Clock in the Morning, unless kept in covered stalls, fish boxes, or other houses, situated over the salt water: And fresh fish offered for sale in the streets before the first day of May, and after the fifteenth day of October shall be kept clean in covered carts, barrows, &c.—

Salmon and Small Fish.

Art. 9.th Salmon, Shad, Bass, Mackerel, Sautous, Eels, Flounders, Tomcods, Smelts, and other small fish, may be sold, at all times, in any part of the town, provided they be kept secure from the rays of the sun; but venders thereof will be held responsible for any nuisance created thereby, Provided, however, that Salmon and Bass, brought to town by sea, may be sold, and landed therein, when cleansed of their entrails; which entrails are to be kept on board in light vessels, and removed beyond low water mark, at every time of high water.

Oysters and Lobsters.

April 17th 1809 Art 10th Oysters shall not be offered for sale within the limits of the town, between the fifth day of July, and the first day of Septem Lobsters shall not be exhibited for sale in any place excepting on the several Bridges, Wharves, Ferryways, and at the down Dock; and persons selling them there will be answerable for any nuisance occasioned thereby.

Feathers, Rags &c.

Art. 11th Feathers, old or new, shall not be landed or brought within the limits of the town, between the first day of May, and the first day of November without a permit from this board. And feather and other beds, bedding, clothing or rags, shall not be landed or brought into this town, from any place where any contagious disease doth, or hath recently prevailed; unless by special permission of this Board.

The Mill Pond.

Art. 12th The water of the Mill Pond shall not be drawn off so as to leave the surface of any part of the bottom thereof bare, between the fifteenth day of June, and the first day of October, without a permit from this board.

The above Regulations being essential to the preservation of the Health of the town. it is the determination of this Board to enforce their rigid execution, and to prosecute all violators of them. And as heavy penalties are by law attached to the breach of any or either of them, the Board request their Constituen to cause the Regulations to be read to their domestics; and to assist the Board in their due execution. Complaints of any breaches thereof, or any neglect or inattention, in any persons employed or licenced by the Board, are solicited: and those who complain may rely on inviolable secrecy

Benjamin Russell, President

A true copy
Nath[l] Greenough Secretary

April 17th 1809 Voted, that the Committee who reported the above regulations contract for printing 5000 Copies for distribution.
The Committee on Quarantine regulations reported progress and had leave to sit again.
The Committee on the Scavengers' department reported; which was accepted in part, and the further consideration of the subject, referred to the next meeting.
The Committee on the Compensation to Officers of this Board, reported; which was referred to the next meeting.
The Committee on the subject of the sum necessary to be raised by the Town to meet the drafts of the Board reported; That the sum of Five thousand dollars would be necessary for the expence of this Board the current year; which was accepted and the President was requested to notify the town Auditors.
On Motion of Mr Walter a Committee consisting of Mr Gore, Capt. May, and Capt Binney was chosen, to make inquiry respecting the author of the following paragraph in the Chronicle of Thursday last viz

"On Saturday last the Members of the new Board of Health met "at their office, and organized themselves. The whole number "of votes given for President was ten; necessary to make a choice "six Maj. Benjamin Russell had six votes, and was chosen

Adjourned to Monday next

April 24th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Mess Binney, Jones, Homes, Walter
Ridgeway, Tucker, May, Bates & Gore

Mr Nathaniel Weriam having made a communication by letter to the Board respecting the internal Health regulations it was Voted

April 24th 1809 That the same be referred to Capt. May & Capt. Binney to Report, on

Voted, That the Letter from Capt. Green of Ward № 2 be committed to Messrs. Russell. Ridgeway & Dore.

The Committee on Quarantine reported progress, and had leave to sit again.

The Committee on the Scavengers Department Report. that they have attended to the business assigned them — And find Eight Carts with some repairs will in their opinion answer for the present season — The Harness with some small repairs and three or four new Collars, will also answer.

Your committee would recommend the Employment of Seven Carts in the first part of the season, and the addition of one other during the Months of July, August & September — They further recommend, if a suitable person can be found The placeing the business under one Inspector.

It being probable the Carts will require more repairs during the Season, than it would be proper for the person employed by the Board to pay, Your Committee recommend that it be done by the Board, and under their direction, that no unnecessary expence may be incurred, as they think it will be imprudent to dispose of Carts & Harness after the season is over —

Voted, to accept the Report of the committee.

Voted, That Messrs. Binney, Dore & Bates be a Committee to contract with some suitable person to carry the Orders of the Board on the Scavengers Department into effect.

The Secretary Reported that agreeably to order he had contracted with the printers of the Columbian Centinal and Independent Chronicle for the printing on the same terms they printed last Year. and that he had informed the other Printers that the Board would not allow them more than ten dollars per Year for publishing any of their proceedings unless by special Order.

The Committee to Make inquire respecting the

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publication in the Chronicle. Reported, that the Editors informa
them they had the information from outdoor report, and not from
any Member of the board.

The Committee to whom was referd the communication fro
Mr Nathl Meriam Clerk of the Market. Ask leave to report.
That in their opinion it is expedient to authorise and reques
Mr Meriam to use his exertions to enforce within & throughou
the Market place The internal health regulations of this Board, for
the removal and prevention of Nuisance, he holding himself respon
-ible to the Board for the exercise of this authority —

Voted, that the Members of this Board perambulate their
respective Wards, note the situation of; and report at the next Meeti

Voted, That Messrs May & Tucker be a committee to see to the
distribution of the Internal Health Regulations to the Citizens

The Committee on the Compensations to be allowed the several
officers of this Board made report; on which it was

Voted, that there be allowed to the several officers of and per-
Salaries -sons employed by this Board, the following sums, in compen-
-sation for their services from the first Wednesday of April 180
to the first Wednesday in April 1810. viz.

200 Dollars Dec'm 11th 1809

To the Visiting Physician One Thousand dollars.

To the Secretary, Six Hundred dollars —

To the Messenger Four Hundred dollars —

To the Island Keeper, Three Hundred dollars —

Voted, that there be allowed to the Boatmen employed by the
Island Keeper. Twenty dollars per Month during the period of
quarantine,

Adjourned to Monday Next.

May 1st 1809. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benjamin Russell Esqr President
Messrs Binney, Jones, Holmes.
Walter, Ridgeway, Tucker
Lee, May, Bates, & Gore

May 1st 1809 The subject of Capt Francis Green's resignation was referred for further consideration

The Committee on Quarantine Reported sundry Regulations

Voted, That the Report of the Committee be read by sections.

Voted That the Regulations as amended and now read be adopted for the Quarantine Regulations of Eighteen Hundred & Nine

Voted, That the Committee who Reported the Regulations be a Committee to superintend the printing of three Hundred copys of the same and publishing them in the Centinel and Chronicle

Voted, That the Gentlemen of the Board be Directed to Examine their Warrants & Report their situation at the next Meeting

Voted, That the Board make choice of a Visiting Physician & that Mr Dove be a Committee to receive votes & count the Votes.

The Committee Reported that Doc Thomas Welsh was chosen

Voted, That the Secretary be Instructed to inform Doc Tho Welsh that the Board has made Choice of him as Visiting Physician of the Board of Health the Ensuing Year

Voted, That Mr Walter, Capt Lee & Mr Ridgeway be a Committee to petition the General Court that the Members of the Board of Health of the Town of Boston (while in office) be excused from Military duty ——

In Board of Health, Boston May 1st 1809

Ordered, That the following Regulations for the Quarantine of Vessels, and other purposes, be published for general information:

Art. 1. Quarantine of Vessels

Section 1. On and after the 22d day of May current, a Quarantine shall be had, Of all vessels, their officers, crews, passengers and cargoes, which shall come within the harbour of Boston, from any of the West India Islands; from any port or place within the tropics, and from any port or place where contagious sickness doth, or hath recently prevailed; Of all vessels on

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board of which any person shall have died of any disease, or been sick during their homeward passages; and, of all vessels which in their homeward passages, shall have touched at any port or place within the tropics, excepting the Islands of St. Helena and Ascension.

Sec. 2. Vessels coming from ports or places beyond the Cape of Good Hope, though within the tropics, where no contagious or malignant diseases were known to be prevalent previous to their departure, and vessels from the Cape de Verd islands laden Wholly with salt, are exempted from Quarantine, until the further order of this Board.

Sec. 3. The quarantine above directed, shall be had near Rainsford's Island, under the direction of the Visiting Physician, and other officers of this Board; and shall continue on every vessel which has had Twenty two, or a less number of days passage, until she shall have made up Twenty five days from the day she left her last port; and on each vessel which has had twenty-three or more days passage, then, in addition to such passage, the Quarantine shall continue seventy two hours. And on every vessel, on board which, during her homeward passage, any person shall have died (excepting from accident or casualty) the Quarantine shall be extended to Twenty five days from the last death. And no vessel shall be considered as having commenced ..... Quarantine until she shall have been anchored in her proper station on Quarantine ground as directed by the Visiting Physician, or other Officers of this Board.

Sec. 4. The Masters, officers, crews and passengers of all vessels, when on Quarantine, shall be subject to the Regulations of this Board, and such others as may be adopted by the Visiting Physician: And the Master of each ves-

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shall be accountable, for the appearance on board such vessel, at the time she shall be discharged from Quarantine, of all and every person who arrived in her, or who may have been landed from her in any port of the United States, or put on board any other vessel during her homeward passage; cases of death excepted.

Sec. 5. In extraordinary cases the committee of the Week is authorized to direct the above periods of Quarantine to be prolonged.

Sec. 6. Vessels not otherwise subject to Quarantine, having only Small pox on board, may be discharged whenever the Visiting Physician shall consider them free from infection.

Sec. 7. Masters of vessels, on being discharged from Quarantine, shall deliver at the Health office in Faneuil Hall, the certificate and flag they shall have received from the Visiting Physician, within twenty four hours after having been discharged; and on receiving a counter certificate from the Secretary of this Board, to entitle such vessel to entry at the Custom House, shall pay ten dollars.

Sec. 8. When vessels have been quarantined, examined, attended and certified by the Visiting Physician, and shall sail from Quarantine for any other port, the Masters shall, previous to sailing pay ten dollars each.

Sec. 9. During the time a Vessel shall be on Quarantine, on application made to this Board to permit the unlading and conveyance to town of any wine, rum, spirits, salt, sugar, molasses, mahogany, dye wood, manufactured tobacco, preserved and other fruits, and such other articles as shall be declared incapable of receiving or conveying infection, and when permission to unlade the same shall have been obtained from the Custom-House; it shall be lawful for the Committee of the Week to authorize the Visiting Physician of this Board, to permit such articles to be unladen from any

May 1st vessel on Quarantine, and the same to be conveyed to town, by Lightermen duly licensed by this Board for that purpose. — And the Visiting Physician shall grant a certificate thereof to be depositied in the Health-Office, for which twenty-five cents shall be paid :- And the lighters to be employ'd in the transportation of such uninfected articles, shall, when unemployed be moored off the southeast part of Rainsford's Island; and the Lightermen employed therein, shall not be permitted to land in town, without the permission of the Visiting Physician.

Art. 2. Mediterranean Vessels

Sec. 1. The Masters of all vessels which on and after the twenty second day of May, current, until the further order of this Board, shall arrive from any port or place within the Streights of Gibraltar, shall carry and anchor such vessels on quarantine ground, where they shall be examined by the Visiting Physician, who shall permit them to pass immediately after, if it appears to him that the public health will not be endangered thereby; and on his giving a certificate of the same Five Dollars shall be paid; otherwise such vessels shall conform to the first article of these regulations.

Art. 3. Vessels to be Reported.

Sec. 1. The Masters of all vessels which on and after the 22d day of May, current shall arrive from any port or place not subject to Quarantine, shall, previous to entry at the Custom House, make report at the Health-Office, in Faneuil-Hall, of the state and condition of their crews passengers and cargoes, and of all other circumstances which may concern the public safety. If found to be from a port free of contagious disease, the Master of each vessel shall receive a certificate to permit the entry of such vessel, at the Custom House, for which twenty five cents shall be paid; If otherwise

May 1st the vessel, crew and passengers shall be sent to Rainsfords Island, on Quarantine.

Art. 4. Vessels from Out Ports

Sec. 1. All vessels which shall arrive, and enter at any out-port from any of the ports or places mentioned in the first or second articles of these regulations, and shall afterwards come to this port, shall be subject to Quarantine, unless the masters produce correct certificates from some Board of Health, or Select men of a town, that such vessels have been at least twenty-five days from such ports or places, that during that time no person has died (excepting by accident or casualty) or been sick on board; and that they have been duly examined, and thoroughly purified, or cleansed.

Art. 5. Infected Vessels

Sec. 1. All vessels, from any port or place whatever, having on their homeward passage had one or more sick persons on board, shall, at all seasons of the year, be liable to perform Quarantine, if in the opinion of the Visiting Physician it shall be necessary.

Art. 6.

The Duty and power of the Visiting Physician

Sec. 1. It shall be the duty of the Visiting Physician of this Board to visit Rainsford's Island every day when there are three or more vessels on Quarantine; and when less than three, as often as the Committee of the Week shall prescribe. He shall direct in what manner vessels are to be cleansed what articles shall be landed, washed, buried, or destroyed. He shall order the sick to be landed, if necessary; shall attend all the sick at said Island, prescribe according to his best skill and judgment to their relief; and find all medicine; He shall be allowed to charge each sick person person for such attendance; provided his charge does not exceed three dollars

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for common cases; but he may increase the charge for extra-
-ordinary cases, deemed such by the Committee of the Week,
and he shall report at least once a Week, the number of such
sick persons under his care at the Island, the length of time
they have been confined there; and when discharged shall
immediately present his account for attendance to the Committee
of the Week; a record of which shall be entered on the Journal
kept by the Committee: He shall direct the Pilots where
to anchor vessels; and they are hereby required to obey his
directions: He shall deliver to the Master of each vessel
arriving on Quarantine a copy of the Quarantine Regulations
of this Board. He may establish rules and regulations
for the preservation of good order on the Island, and to promote
the designs of Quarantine; such rules and regulations being
under the control of the Board: He shall, from time to time,
report to the Committee of the Week, the state of vessels on
Quarantine, and the sick at the Island: — He shall grant
a certificate of discharge to each vessel having duly performed
Quarantine: And generally it shall be his duty to do and
perform all things necessary to carry the Regulations of Quar-
-antine into complete effect

Art. 7. The Secretary's Quarantin Duties

Sec. 1. The Secretary of this Board shall receive the visiting
Physician's certificates of discharge; shall give counter-
certificates to entitle such vessels to entry at the Custom House
shall receive the fees required for such certificate, and all
other fees, and shall pay all monies received by him to the
Treasurer: He shall make the necessary inquiries of all Masters
of vessels reporting at this office; shall note the same; shall
furnish necessaries for purifying vessels on Quarantine

May 1st 1809 and shall receive and communicate at every meeting of this Board, the reports received from the Island.

Art. 8. The Island Keeper's Duty.

Sec. 1. The Island Keeper shall personally attend the purification of all vessels, clothing, bedding, persons &c at Quarantine, agreeably to the directions of the Visiting Physician - He shall board and attend the sick, and find nurses: He shall be allowed five dollars each week for the board and nursing each sick person at the Island; to be collected as the fees of the Visiting Physician are by law collected, or assumed: He may employ two persons to ply with him the Island boat, during the time Quarantine is required: He shall communicate to the Health Office information of the arrival of vessels at the Island, as they occur; and of any event which may require the attendence of the Visiting Physician at the Island; shall carry supplies to vessels on Quarantine when delivered on board the boat, and shall be held to conform to all the directions of this Board, in all matters respecting Quarantine.

Sec. 2. In the absence of the Visiting Physician, the Island keeper is charged with the police of the Island, agreeably to the laws and rules thereof.

Art. 9.

No person, not on Quarantine, shall be allowed to visit Rainsford's Island, during the time of Quarantine, without producing a permit from the Secretary of this Board, for which 25 Cts shall be paid for each person; and the Visiting Physician and Island Keeper shall return all permits to the Secretary once a month.

By Order of the Board

Benjamin Russell President

Attest Nath Greenough Secretary

May 8th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esqr President.

Messrs Binney, Jones, Walter, Ridgeway } { Tucker, Lee, May, Gore

The Chairman of the Committee on Capt Green's Letter Reported he had received a communication from Capt Green Member for Ward No 2. Signifying the resignation of his Seat at the Board.

In consequence of which the President had Issued his Warrant to Amos Lewis Constable of the Ward to Warn the Ward to Meet on Thursday next to Chuse a Member in the room of Capt Green Resigned

The Members from the several Wards except No 2. & 11 Reported the State of their Wards agreeably to the Vote of the last meeting.

In consequence of which the Board in Committee of the whole visited the Mill-pond, and several Cellars, Yards and places complained of in Wards No 3. & 8

The Committee appointed to petition the Legislature had leave to set again

Mr Gore Member from No 2

Moved that the following Order be past by the Board—

That from and after the publication of this Article all Carts or Waggons Employ'd in the removal of Dirt of any kind, gravel. Stable or other Manure shall have such Hind & fore Boards as will Effectually prevent said gravel or manure wasting in the Streets,

Voted, That the above Order be accepted, and that it be published in the papers employed by this Board.

On Motion. It was Voted that this Board Visit Rainsford and for that purpose they will meet on India Wharf at Six O'Clock A.M. on Wednesday next. If good weather.

May 8th 1809 Voted, That Mess^rs Fore, May & Binney be a Committee to make arrangements for the visit.

Voted, That each Member have leave to invite a friend on the visit.

Voted, That the Committee invite the Commander of Fort Independence The Collector & Quarter Master General.

Adjourned to Wednesday next 10 o'Clock A.M. India Wharf.

May 10th The Board met on India Wharf agreeably to vote of the eighth Instant

Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Binney	Ridgeway
Jones	Tucker
Homes	Lee
Walter	May & Fore

An proceeded to Rainsford Island and there Ordered, That the Police of Rainsford Island during the time of Quarantine be and hereby is invested in the Visiting Physician, Island Keeper; and such other Officers as this Board may appoint.

Mess^r Spear made a report of the Articles belonging to the Commonwealth on the Island.

Voted That Mess^rs Tucker, Russell & M^r Jones be a Committee to take the proper Steps for obtaining the necessary deficient supplies from the Government of the Commonwealth—

Voted That Mess^rs Binney, Lee & Fore be a committee to report the articles necessary to complete the furniture of this Board at the Island

The Board having perambulated the Island made the necessary Divisions & Ordered that Flags should be put on the Posts as they now stand at the Westerly end, and that another line of Posts at the Distance of Ten feet within them be set. &

May 16 1809 That no Visiter be allowd to pass to the South or west of the posts on which the Flags are put.

Voted, That Mr Russell, May & Binney be a Committee to make a suitable and proper representation of the decaying State of the East Head of Rainsford Island, to the Legislature at their next Session; — and Invite a Number of the Members of both branches to visit the Island in June next that they may have Ocular demonstration of the necessity of appropriating a sufficient sum of Money to prevent a total Loss of the Island to the Commonwealth by building a sea wall round said East Head —

Voted, That the President be authorized to procure one large and twelve small red Flags for the use of the Island —

Voted, That Messrs Binney, Russell & Tucker be a committee to see erected one or more new flag Staffs at such place or places as they shall think proper.

Voted to adjourn to Monday next then to meet at the Health Office Boston 9 o'Clock A M.

Adjourned accordingly —

Monday May 15 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Binney	Ridgeway
Ellis	Lee
Jones	May
Holmes	Bates
Walter	Gore

The Committee of the whole reported that they had visited the vicinity of the Mill-pond, and that Notifications ought to issue to the Proprietors requiring them to continue the drains and common sewers to the Canal; and that Doct^r St. Medard, and others be notified to fill up the Sands on their premises now overflowed. — That they visited Ward N^o 6. and —

May 15th 1809. found therein many and aggravated nuisances: part of which have been attended to by the Committee of the week: and they recommend that the Committee of the Week be requested to pay particular attention to the same.

Committee on the Mill-Pond Capt Binney Jones & Ellis

On Motion Voted, That the whole business respecting the Mill pond be committed to a Committee of three Messrs Binney, Jones & Ellis

Voted, That the Secretary be authorized to purchase a plan of the Mill-Pond

Voted, The Committee (Messrs Waller, Lee & Ridgeway) to apply to the Legislature have further time allowed them.

Voted, The Committee on the Furniture of the Hall at the Island have further time.

Voted, The Committee on the Furniture of the Board at the Island have further time

Voted That no visiter be permitted to Enter within the Ewers Wash of the Posts on the Island that have flags on them

Voted That Capt Binney Mr Waller & Lee be a Committee on Night Carts, Work Wharf &c

Voted, That the President be requested to write to the Collector of the Revenue & the Commander of Fort Independence respecting the Quarantine, And that the Secretary be directed to inform the Pilots of a Quarantine Ordered &

Voted, That Messrs Russell Lee & Bacon be a Committee on the Wharf at West Boston belonging to the Town and Improved by the Night Carts

Voted, That Capt Mayo, Binney & Lee be a Committee on the Nuisance Complained of by Mr Dickens in Franklin Street

Voted, That Capt Lee Mr Jones & Bates be a Committee on a Nuisance in Cellar and Drains from Fort Hill to Batterymarch Street

Mr Joshua Ellis having been returned a Member to the Board from Ward No 2 agreeably to law, took his seat at the Board this day

Adjourned

May 22 1799 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Binney, Ellis, Jones, Homes, Walter } Ridgeway, Tucker, May, Bates, Gore

Voted, That the Board accept the Report of their committee on the Bill, Stand in part and request their procedure in the business assigned them

The Committee (Mess^rs Walter, Lee & Ridgeway) appointed to petition the Legislature made report viz. ---

Petition to the Legislature in exemptions

To the Honorable Senate & House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled.

The Petition of the Board of Health for the town of Boston respectfully represents. ---

That the Board of Health for the town of Boston was incorporated in the year 1799 with extensive powers for the preservation of the health of the Capital of this State.

That the Duties thus annually devolving upon twelve Citizens of the Town, are arduous, and when performed with common diligence consume a full seventh part of their time, for which no adequate compensation is provided but in the gratitude of their fellow Citizens.

That among other clauses in the said Act for the formation of a Board of Health, it is enacted that the Members of the said Board for the time being shall be exempted from performance of all Duties that Selectmen of Towns by Law are exempted from, amongst which exemptions that from Militia Duty was the most prominent, That by a Law passed 4th March 1800 in amendment of the Militia laws it enacted that no othe

May 22 persons shall be exempt from militia duty there are therein excepted which not enumerating Select men or Board of Health, it follows that Your petitioners are liable to an increased Burden on their time which has already been severely felt to their private Injury. and which in future may deprive the Board of the Services of the younger part of their members who may resign at pleasure unless relieved —

Your petitioners therefore pray the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives would restore to the Board of Health that exemption from Militia Duty which they presume was thro unintentionally taken from them, or such other Relief in the premises as the Honorable Court may direct and as in Duty bound will pray.

Board of Health, By Order

Boston, May 22, 1809.

Voted, to accept the Report of the Committee, and that a fair Copy be made and signed & that the same Committee present it at the next Session

The Committee, Messrs Tucker, Russell & Jones appointed to examine the State of the Clothing, furniture &c at Rainsford Island belonging to the State beg leave to Report That the following articles are necessary to be furnished viz —

Fifteen Shirts Linen
Twenty four pair Sheets
Linen sufficient for Twelve pillow Cases
Two Doz Spoons
One Doz Towells
Two Doz Knives & forks
One doz stew pans
Six Chairs —
Three Cloysstool pans
Two Coffee pots

Your Committee would further report That in their Opinion sundry repairs are necessary at the Hospital & House

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Voted, That the Report of the committee on the furniture for the Hospital be accepted and that the committee present the same to the Quarter Master General for Inspection

The Committee on the furniture of the Board had further time

The President reported he had wrote to the Collector & Commander of Fort Independence respecting Quarantine and received answers. see file

The Secretary Reported he had Notified the Pilots.

The Committee on the Complaint of Nuisance in Franklin Street, complained of by Mr Hickenor reported they had attended to the same.

Voted, That Messrs Homes, Jones & Ellis be a committee on the Nuisance in Fish Street caused by the Vault on premises belonging to Doct J. C Howard

The Committee appointed to examine the state of drains from the cellars in Battery March Street, Report that they do not think it proper to compel any of Mrs Hicklin's neighbours to bear a proportion of the expence incurred by her in opening the drain from her cellar. They find by the report of several of the occupants of buildings there, that the main Sewer leading from the passage way on fort hill thro Battery March Street across Broad Street — has been cut off by the Broad Street corporation, and are of opinion that it should be now connected with one of the neighbouring Sewers, which may be easily done, and at a small expence as the distance is not above 70 feet.

Voted, The Report be accepted and that the subject be committed to the same Committee to see it Executed

Standing Order

Voted, That it be a standing Order of the Board that after the record has been gone through with the Committee of the preceding week shall report on the state of the business of the past week; and that the Member neglecting for a Notification be responsible of the execution of the same

Voted, That Messrs Walter & Ridgeway be a Committee to examine a Nuisance in John Barnes premises — Hortons

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Voted, That the Subject of Mr. John Jenkins Nuisance near the Green Dragon be committed to the same Committee

Voted, That Mr. Tucker & Mr. Pore be a Committee on the Subject of fresh fish being offered for sale in the Streets.

Voted, That the following Order pass

Ordered, That Mr. Bridge Superintendent of the Scavengers, furnish the Board with the regulations adopted by him for removing the Dirt Filth and the Names of the persons Employed and that he attend the future meetings of the Board.

Voted, That Capt. May & Mr. Tucker be a Committee to attend to the Nuisance in Bromfields Lane on premises of Mr. Sam. Eliot.

Adjourned to Monday next.

29th May Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq. President

Majr. Binney, Ellis, Jones, Homes, Walter

Ridgeway, Tucker, Lee, May, Bates & Pore

The Committee on the Nuisance in Wash Street caused by the Vault of Dr. John C. Howard, Reported, they had attended to the same, and the cause was removed.

The Committee on Mr. John Barnes & Jenkins's Nuisance reported they were removed.

The Committee on the Subject of fresh fish being sold in the Streets. Moved that the following Order be passed viz.

Ordered that no person take a stand in or near the Market, for the sale of Fish, but at the North side of the Market House, at the place provided by the Clerk of the Market for that purpose

May 29th 1809

Voted, That the before mentioned Order be adopted as a regulation of the board and published.

Voted, That the 8th Article of the Internal Health Regulations be Committed to committee Messr Walter & Russell for amendment. —

The Committee on the Nuisance in Bromfields Lane reported that they had attended to the same

Voted, That Capt Lee Mr Fore & Ellis be a committee to make

Voted to visit the Island

Arrangements to visit Rainsford Island on Saturday sennight agreeably to the Vote of the Board of 10th Instant at Rainsford Island

The Committee on the Mill pond Report, That the Mill pond Corporation are proceeding in their compliance with the Notification of the Board as respects Stillman Cooper & Cross Sts

Voted, That Messr Ellis, Binney & Jones be a Committee on the Nuisance in Fish Street.

Voted, That Capt May & Deacr Bates be a committee on Stable in Ward No 11. —

Voted, That the Officers of this Board are Charged with the most inviolable secrecy as respects the transactions of the Board & in case of application made to them for information they are bound to observe this Order & refer applicants for information to this Board at their Stated Meetings

Committee Mr Russell Mr Walter

On Motion voted, That a Committee be appointed to make application in writing to the Selectmen to notify a Town Meeting for the purpose of receiving a Memorial of the Board of Health, requesting the town to authorize them to improve such part of the town land as may be necessary to carry into effect the design of the Institution.

Ordered that the Secretary make out a Copy of the Articles Necessary for the Commonwealth to supply the Hospital at Rainsford Island with, and send it to the Quarter Master General

Adjourned to Tuesday next 6 o'clock Afternoon
Election

June 6th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benjamin Russell Esq President
Messrs Binney, Ellis, Homes, Waller, Ridgeway, Tucker, May, Gore

The Committee on the Eighth Article of Internal Health regulations had further time

Mr Ellis Member from Ward No 2 Reported he had removed a Nuisance at the bottom of Black Street occasioned by waste water dirt & filth from the Estate of Mr John Hoffman. & presented the bill Voted, That the Report be accepted —

On Motion, Ordered that the Expence of removing the above Nuisance be assessed on Mr John Hoffman and that the President issue his Warrent to William Phillips Messenger of the Board for collection —

The Committee on the Nuisance in Fish Street Reported the State of the Subject for advice; and were directed to proceed and give their Judgment in completing the removal of the case

Capt Binney & Mr Ellis were appointed a Committee to apply to the Selectmen to pave Daggetts Alley —

The Committee on the Stable in Ward No 11 not being ready to report had further time allowed them

Voted, That the Member from Ward No 10 be instructed to attend to the Nuisance Complained of in Franklin Place, and use means to remove the same

June 6th 1809 The Member of Ward No 5 Mr Walter Reported he had remove
a Nuisance on the premises of Messrs Samuel & Nathan Appleton West Row
Cambridge Street by sinking a Drain for Waste water from
the same into the Common Sewer through Mr Parkmans drain
by his permission & paying part of his Expence for the same.
Voted, to accept the above report on the Nuisance
And Ordered that the Cost of Removal be assessed on Messrs
Samuel & Nathan Appleton with a Fine of ten Dollars for not
Removing the Nuisance on Notice of the Board ——— and that
the President issue his Warrent to William Phillips Messenger
of the Board to collect the same ———
Voted, that the Board assume the bill of James Menzies for
removing Stagnant water agreeably to Order of the Board from
a Cellar near Congress Street in the Care of Mr Nathan Adams &
direct the Secretary to Charge the same to Mr Adams & send
him a bill for the Amount $13.00 ———
The Committee appointed to confer with the Selectmen
on the business assigned them Reported that Gentlemen of the
Board were disposed to do all in their power to aide the desi-
gnes of this for the Benefit of the town & Report Progress —
Noted, That the Notifications for the Meeting on Saturday
next be filled up to meet at half past seven O'Clock at the Health
Office ———
Adjourned to Saturday Next
half past 7 o'Clock A.M —

In Board of Health June 6th 1809
Ordered that to defray the Expence arising from the removal of
Nuisance from the Estate of Mr John Hoffman at the bottom of
Fleet Street there be assessed as follows viz

Carried up

To Laying 1 hundred feet of Drain at 75 Cents a foot	$1.75
To 1 Copper Strainer	0.75
To Carpenters work & Stock as per Bill	5.25
To a fine for Neglecting to remove the nuisance on Notice of the Board	10.00
	22.75

Which he will pay to William Phillips Messenger of the Board of Health agreeably to law

Benjamin Russell President

In Board of Health June 6th 1809

Ordered, That to defray the Expence arising from the removal of Nuisance by sinking a Drain from premises of Mess.rs Nathan Appleton in West Row Cambridge Street they be assessed as follows

To Digging Laying & completing 134 feet of Drain West Row. fifty feet Laid with brick and covered with Slate at 4/6 P foot	$37.50
To Eighty four feet laid with Joice and covered with plank ... at 4/ P foot	56.00
To Sink box to throw the wash water down	4.00
To a tight box to go thro out of the Vault	4.00
To Half of Mr S. Parkmans proportion of Drain & Common Sewer	41.87½
To a fine for neglecting to Remove Nuisance on Notice of the Board	10.00
	$155.37½

Which they will pay to William Phillips Messenger of the Board of Health agreeably to law

Benjamin Russell President

June 10th 1809

Agreeably to assignment, the Board met in their room in Faneuil Hall, at 2. O'Clock where a respectable number of the Members of the Legislature of the State, from the several districts of the commonwealth, assembled with them, and proceeded to Spears wharf, where after being joined by Col.o Boyd, and suite of the U.S. Army and a full Band

June 16th 1789

of Jamaica, She whole embarked for Rainsford's Island. The castle barge — fully manned was in attendance On passing Fort Independance She Companies were honored with a federal Salute Arrived at the Island the company repaired to the Strand under the East head where the President of the Board communicated to the Honorable Guests, the object of the visit in an address to the following effect — Gentlemen, At the desire of the Board of Health and with the concurrence of the Quarter Master General of the State, I solicit your attention. —

This Island the property of the State at an early period of the settlement of the Commonwealth was appropriated as an Hospital Island, and has been used for that purpose ever since, Every town in the State is authorized to send hither all persons infected with Malignant and contagious diseases. By law the police and superintendance of the Island is conducted to the Board of Health, of whom, on the present occasion, I am the Organ, and who have deemed it an incumbent duty to make a representation of its situation to the Legislature the constitutional guardians of the property of the State.

Previous to this representation the Board have thought it expedient to invite such Members of that Hon'ble body, as could make it convenient to attend, to visit this spot — to view its situation — to participate with us in the regrets which must be felt at the inroads yearly made on the Isle by the sea: and thus to be able to support the representation we shall make to the Legislature on the subject. —

Having viewed the premises; You Gentlemen, will be able to determine in your Minds whether the Island, and the Institution to which it is devoted is or is not worth the preservation from additional destruction. Should you consider it worth the attention of Government, and a fit object for the creation, the Board have no doubt of the exertion of your influence to facilitate measures to effect it. —

The subject has engaged much of the consideration of the Board, and the Quarter Master General; and we are of opinion that the security of the East End can only be effected by a stone wall, in front of the whole bank. The expence of such a wall You Gentlemen, are more competent to Estimate, than we are. For, you perceive that the principal material lies in abundance around us; and others can be water borne

to the spot at no very great expence. To call your attention to the particulars stated is the object of your invitation to the Island. It is unnecessary to say to you Gentlemen, that as Members of the Board of Health, we can have no other interest in thus arresting your attention, than such as arise from the nature of our Institution; and an anxious desire as Men, that those unfortunate persons who are afflicted and depressed by disease and loathed and avoided in their homes, may for ever find an asylum on this island protected by this promontory from chilling winds, and the spray of the sea.

After perambulating the island the Company partook of the luxuries of the sea and land; reciprocated the pleasures of the interview in a number of very neat and appropriate toasts: and returned to town about Sun set—

June 12th 1809 — At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq.r President

Messr.s Binney, Ellis, Jones, Homes } { Walter, Lee, May, Love

The Committee (Messr.s Walter & Russell) on the 8th Article of Internal Health Regulations had further time allowed them

The Committee on the Nuisance under the Stable in Ward No 11 being absent no report could be made.

The Committee appointed to apply to the Selectmen to have Daggetts Alley Reported that the Gentlemen Selectmen informed them they would lay their request before their board

Capt. May of Ward No 10 Reported he had taken measures to remove the Nuisance in Franklin place, but they are not yet completed.

The Committee to confer with the Selectmen on the buring

June 12th 1809 at Wharf at West Boston had further time allowed them

"Voted, That Mr John Magners Case respecting fine &c be referred to Mess Fore & Tucker. —

Voted, That the Member from Ward No 5 take such measures respecting Mrs Ship Johnson's Allowance as he see fit —

Voted, That the President be authorized to give a Draft on the Town Treasurer in favour of Mr Jeremiah Fore Town Treasurer of this Board for One Thousand dollar he to be Accountable to the Board for the same —

Adjourned to Monday next

Draft Agreeably to the above Vote the President this Day drew on the Town Treasurer for One Thousand dollar in favor of Mr Jeremiah Fore Treasurer of this Board he to be Accountable for the Same to the Board —

June 19th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esqr President

Messrs Binney	Ridgeway
Ellis	Tucker
Jones	Loe
Homes	May
Walter	Bates & Fore

Voted, That Messrs Russell, May & Binney be a Committee to confer with the Committee of the Legislature and fix a time when the Board will wait on them to the Island.

Voted, That the Committee Messrs Walter & Russell, on the Eighth Article of the Internal Health Regulations, have further time.

The Committee on the business of Daggetts Alley Reported that the Selectmen wished the Board to have the same — & the same Committee there in Structed to proceed in the Busi

and have the Bills

Voted, That the Member from Ward № 11 be directed to inform Jonas Hubbard that unless the Nuisance in his premises, born yt is removed in three days the Board will Order the same done

The Committee Heb. Pope & Tucker on Mr. H. Magoon's case have further time

Voted, That the President be directed to put in suit Mr. Withington's Note of Hand for One Hundred & Thirteen Dollars & 82/100.

Voted, That the Board reconsider the last vote and that the Treasurer receive of him the Twenty dollars he proposes to pay and take a Note for the ballance with an endorser payable in thirty Days

Voted, That unless the above vote be complyed with by One o'Clock the Note be returned to the President for prosecution.

Voted, That Messrs Tucker, Ellis & Watter be a Committee to certain whether any persons have boarded Vessels while on Quarantine, with out permission of the Board or the Visiting Physician

Mr. Homes, Member of Ward № 4 having presented the Bills for removing the Nuisance in Corn Court; on Motion

Voted, That they be referred to the Committee on Accounts to Examine & Pass the same on the Selectmen

The following Bills having been passed by the Committee on accounts. viz Jonathan Curtiss's bill for printing Three Hundred Copies of Quarantine Regulations $10.50

Mr. Laurence Homes's bill for Advertising from April 1808 to March 28th 1809 6.00

Joseph Saunders's bill for Attendance on Board the Plane 10th May 2.00

William Gould's bill for removing Dirt from Aitken son Street 2.50

Allen Harriman's bill for 10th May 5.00

John Rollins's bill of 18th May for Labor 6.00

Voted that the Treasurer of the Board be authorized to pay the same $32.00

June 19th 1809 The following bills on account of the Visit to Rainsford Island, the 10th of May last were laid before the Committee on accounts and the Board Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to pay them viz

Edward Harris bill of Sundays	$24.12
E & A Winchesters Ditto &c.	10.12
Nath. Greenough two bills &c.	11 35
	$45.59

Agreeably to the above vote, Ordered. That to defray the Expence arising from the removal of Nuisance in Com Court by Cleaning & Clearing Lawns Commutating 353 Grain in the Court &c. The following persons be Taxed viz.

The President & Directors of the Massachusetts Mutual fire Insurance Company	$80.00
The President & Directors of the Massachusetts Bank	70.00
Ward N. Boylston Esq.	24.00
Mrs Carey	5.00
Mr Mail	5.00
Mrs Doyle	8.00
Mrs Brazer	8.00
	$200.00

Which they will pay to William Phillips Messenger of the Board

By Order
Benjamin Russell
President

Adjourned to Monday Next

June 26th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell President

Mess. Binney, Ellis, Jones, Warnes; Walter, Ridgeway, Tucker, Lee, May & Bates

The Committee on the 2d Article of Internal Health Regulations had further time to report

June 26th 1809

The Committee on Faygetts valley Reported they had employed a Number of Men to have it Compleated the same ——

The Member from Ward N°11 Reported the Nuisance in Rows lane under J. Hubbards barn was nearly compleated.

Mr Fore of the Committee on Mr John Wagner case being absent no report could be made ——

Captain Binney of the Committee to Confer with the Committee of the Legislature Reported he had seen Jen Davis who informed him, That he intended a Bond to the Subject of the Island himself

The Committee appointed to inquire if any persons have boarded Vessels on Quarantine Report, that they have seen a Number of Masters of Vessels Lately from Quarantine ground, who say the Officers of the Revenue Cutter came alongside & boarded each of them and went into their Cabins Overhauled their log book & papers Your Committee now annex to this Report the Certificates of three Masters who were boarded; There are others in Town who have been boarded, but your Committee have not been able to see them since they have been authorized to investigate the Subject.

Richard D Tucker
Joshua Ellis
Lynde Waller

Boston 26th June 1809

We the undersigned Masters of the Vessels annexed to our names Do hereby Certify that on or about the 15th Instant we were Boarded by the Revenue Cutter Massachusetts. Commanded by Lieutenant Lincoln. who Examined our Papers, during our detention at Quarantine & the said Lincoln while on board went into our Cabins

Daniel Saunders Master of the Brig Greyhound
Joseph Cook of the Brig Cygnet.
Benjamin Gorham of the Brig Traveller.

June 26 1809

Voted, That Messrs Walter, Lee & Binney be a Committee to attend to Mr Sam Sucker's complaint.

Voted, That the Treasurer of the Board be authorized to pay the the bills now passed by the Committee on Accounts & William Bell jun's bill for Laying a drain from Peter Hoffman's Estate.

The following bills were passed viz

Samuel Shaw's bill of 12th May 1809	$ 8.24.
Sam'l Shaw Do for cash paid Sam'l Williams & Samuel Appleton for sinking a reservoir &c in Fortin place as p bill of June 23 1809	20.00.
Abraham Ingersoll's bill of April 1809	4.50.
David Darling's bill of 4th April Do	1.50.
Amos Lewis's bill of May 3d 1809	1.50.
Patrick Mullen's bill for Laying a Drain 22 June 1809 to Jno Driscol	12.58.
William Bell jun's bill of 30th May for 75 Hoffman Drain	12.75.
	$61.7

Adjourned to Monday Sept 4th

July 3 1809

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Messrs Binney	Sucker
Ellis	Lee
Jones	May
Walter	Bates
Ridgeway	Gore

Voted, That Messrs Sucker & Gore be a Committee to Examine the drain from John Driscol Estate near the Exchange Coffee House.

Voted, That the Collector's (Dearborn) Communication respecting Officers of the Revenue Cutters boarding Vessels in Quarintine be referd to Messrs Russell, Lee & Walter's the Committee on the 8th Article of the Internal Health Regulations with further time allowed them.

July 3d 1809

The Committee to whom was referred the subject Matter of Samuel Bucks Complaint have attended to that business & Report

That the complaint of Sel. Buck devides itself into two parts the first being the raising of the Ground in the rear of Crosby Stable which occasions the water in front of Bucks House to remain in a stagnant state, the Committee are of opinion it is not in the power of this Board to take any cognizance of the same as Buck must raise his Land in proportion

That part respecting the Drain into the Common Sewer at Oliver Dock is peculiarly situated, The Selectmen as (Mr Buck says) have ordered the Drain to be cut off in consequence of the tide coming up into the Drain & over powering the Cellar now in occupation of Dr Hunk. The Committee are of opinion the part so cut off should be again restored at the public expence

Lynde Walter
George I Lee

Voted to accept the Report of the Committee and request the same Committee to Carry their reports into affect

Voted, That Capt Binney Mr Ridgeway & Mr Gore be a Committee to Repair the Wharf at West Boston.

Voted That Mr Merriam (Clerk of the Market) Communication be committed to Mr Walter to report on

Voted That Messrs Jones Ridgeway & Walter be a Committee to Examine Mr Richard B Hewes Vault. Sixth Ward

Mr Walter committee on Mr Merriams Communication Reported. The following Additional Health Regulations viz

In Board of Health Boston July 3 1809

Ordered That from and after the Tenth instant no Mutton or Lamb Shall be Brought into or Exposed for Sale within this Town having the Skin on the same. Voted to Accept the Report & that it be published in the Papers of the Board — The Centinel & Chronicle

July 3 1809 Noted, That the subject of Mrs J. Sore's complaint be committed to Mess^rs Sore & Dean Bates.

Adjourned to Monday Next

July 10th 1809. At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Capt Amos Rhinney President pro Tem

present Mess^rs Ellis, Jones, Homes, Walter, Ridgeway, Lee, May, Sore

The Committee on John Driscol's Drain reported the busing was settled. —

Voted, That the Committee on the 8th Article of the Internal Health Regulation be discharged.

The Committee on Mr Tucke's Drain Reported they had reopened the Drain from Tucke's Cellar to the Common Sewer at the Expence of the Board —

The Committee on the Wharf Near the Alms House had further time —

The Committee to whom was refered the Subject of Richard B. Hewes Vault, have attended to that service, and having Examined the same do Report. That the necessary is below the depth required by the Internal Health Regulations as clear. — But the south line of the Vault is evidently within two feet of the line of the land and as such comes within the bye Laws of the Town & is a Nuisance. and we are of opinion the Member of this Board has conducted properly in Ordering its Removal. —

Voted, to Accept the Report & to Excuse Mr Hewes the fine levied on him —

July 16th 1809

Voted, That the Committee on Mr. Dearborn Letter have further time.

Samuel Harris presented a Memorial Respecting his Dumps. whereon Voted, that the subject be refered to Mess. Lee, Ellis & Waller —— to Examine give direction & Report ther on

Voted, The Committee on Mr. Gore's Compliant be discharged

The Committee Appointed at a Meeting of the Board on the 29th May for the purpose of removing certain Nuisances occasioned by waste water running on the surface of Fish Street Report.

That the Expence of making 257 feet common Sewer including materials & Completing the Pavement &c. $205.60

Evidence of 40 feet drain to premises of J. May Esq 24.00

$229.60

And that the same be assessed on the Proprietors in the following proportion. viz. ——

Col° John May	one Share	$22	$46.00
	Expence of Crown drain Ephia	24.	
Mary Lobb.	two Shares	228	44.00
Samuel Beals	one Ditto		22.00
Anthony Currant	one Ditto		22.00
Mary English	One Ditto		22.00
William Clouer	One Ditto		22.00
Ephraim Bread	One Ditto		22.00
Estate of Cap' James Scott	one Share		22.00
Ebenezer Judd	one Ditto		22.00
			$246.00

Voted, That the report as above be accepted And that the above Persons be assessed the sum affixed to their names that the President Issue his Warrant to William Phillips to collect the same

The Committee appointed at a Meeting of the Board 19th June for the purpose of repairing Daggetts Alley &c Report viz

July 10th 1809 That the expense of Laying 164 Yds
for contract $85.00
106 Yards new pavement at 2/3 ..... 39.75
55 Loads Gravel ..... 6/ 55.00
$179.75
Paid Thomas Pingree for repairing several holes in Ship Street 16 Yds 3.20
$182.95

Voted, to accep the Report of the Committee —
Voted, That the President cause a Draft on the Town Treasurer in favour of Capt Amos Binney for One Hundred & Eighty two Dollars 95/100 for payments of the above —

Adjourned to Monday next

Draft Agreeably to the Above vote the President this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of Capt Amos Binney for One Hundred & Eighty two Dollars 95/100 —

July 17th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day Present Benjamin Russell, Esq. President

Messrs Binney, Ellis, Jones, Homes, Ridgeway
Tucker, Lee, May, Bates, Gore

The Committee to rebuild the Wharf at the bottom of Lever's Street belonging to the Town. Report that they have contracted with Mr Samuel Colburn to rebuild the same exclusive of Materials for One Hundred & Seventy five dollars
Voted to accept the Report and that the Committee be authorized to see the contract Executed —
The Committee on the Subject of Collector Dearborne's letter, Report. They have had a conference with Mr Scott

July 14th 1809

Blake the U.S. States Attorney for this district, and that he will make a communication on the Subject in writing to this board

The Committee on the Subject of Samuel Harris's Memorial Report That they have examined the place complained of and given directions to have the drain from his pump communicate to the common Sewer, which has been done, and that Mr Harris will be assessed the cost of doing the same, a proportion of the Expence of Common Sewer: and a fine for Neglecting to comply with the Order of the Board

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Board be authorized to pay out of any Moneys in his hands, other than Expenments, such proportionable sums as he may think proper to the Visiting Physician, the Secretary Messenger & Island keeper of the Board. Voted, that Moses Thayer's bill for Notifying Ward No 11. & Delivering Health Regulations be paid by the Treasurer

Adjourned to Monday Next

July 24th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell, Esq. President.

Messrs Binney, Ellis, Jones } { Homes, Walter, Lee & Bates

Voted, That the Visiting Physician be directed so to construe the 2 section of the 1st Art of the Quarantine Regulations, that all vessels from the Cape de Verd Islands, be carried to Rainsford Island, for Examination; but that such as are laden wholly with Salt or other articles incapable of receiving or conveying infection, be permitted to proceed to town immediately —

Voted, That the proprietors of the East Mills be required to open the flood gates, for the free passage of the tide water through the Mill creek —

Voted, That the Committee on the Mill pond, be so far discharged from their duties as to be excused from attention to the premises south & West of the Mill creek —

Voted, That the following bills as passed by the Committee on accounts be paid by the Treasurer viz

Joseph Kelly's bill for Opening Drain and Common sewer at the bottom of Friends Street By Order of Mr Walter of № 5 } $10.00

Capt George I. Lee's bill for Sundrys on a Visit to R. Island June 10. 1809 — } 9.64

$19.64

Voted, That Capt Lee & Mr Dore be a committee to confer with the Quarter Master General respecting the visit to the Island with the committee of the Legislature.

Adjourned to Monday next

July 31st 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day, Present Benjamin Rupell, Esq. President.

Messrs Birney, Ellis, Walter, Ridgeway } { Tucker, See, May, Bates, & Moore.

The Committee appointed to confer with General Davis respecting the Committee of the Legislature visiting Rainsford Island. Reported that the General was out of Town.

Voted, That the Board in Committee of the whole, examine the drain in Bangs's Alley. Now opening by Order of Mr. Tucker Member of that ward (No 8) who asks advice on the subject.

Voted, That the President be authorized to write to the Board of Health of the City of New York, for information of the State of Health in that place and Neighbourhood, and to make every enquiry for the benefit of Health of the Town.

Voted, That the Committee of the Week be requested to direct the Visiting Physician to pay particular attention to the Vessels from Cuba, that they are thoroughly fumigated and cleansed before discharged

Sam'l Harris fine Remitted

Voted, That the fine of Ten dollars assessed on Sam'l Harris for not complying with the Notice of the Board to continue his Drain to the common Sewer, be remitted.

he having conformed to the Order of the board, since

Voted, That Messrs Ellis, Birney & Walter be a Committee to direct the laying of a Drain in Sun court Street.

Voted, That the same Committee be authorized to superintend the common Sewer in Union Street

Voted, That a Warrant be made out in the usual form by the President to Warn Ward No 10 to choose a Member to

July 31st supply the place of Capt Samuel May vacated by his
moveing out of the Ward. he having informed the Board of the
circumstance before he retired
The Statement of the Visiting Physician of the 28 Instant
relative to the Schooner Jane Capt William Barrett being read
it was Voted that the President, Capt Phinney, & Mr Dore be a
committee to apply to the Town Advocate or some other
Attorney and advise with him on the subject of prosecuting
Capt Barrett & Barker Baker for a violating the Quarantine
regulations
Voted, That Capt Lee Mr Tucker & Dea Bates be a committee
to take into consideration the Complaint on the Common Sewers
in Marlborough Street represented as being choked with Dirt &
and to take Measures to have the same Cleared
Voted, That the Secretary be directed to tender the thanks
of this Board to Capt Samuel May late a Member from
Ward No 10 for his faithful, vigalent & Industrious exertions,
to execute the regulations of the Board, for the preservation
of the health of the Town, during his Membership

Adjourned to Monday next

January 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
present George S. Lee Esqr President &c Sen

Messrs Ellis, Jones, Homes, Walter | Ridgway, Tucker, Parsons, Bates & Dore

Benjamin Parsons Esqr agreeably to return of Clerk of Ward
No 10 and desire of the President, attended the Meeting, and

took his seat at the Board agreeably to order

The Committee to call on General Davis Reported progress

Voted the communication of the President this day respecting his application to the Town Advocate on Capt Barrett & B. Baker case and his Petition to the Board of Health of New York be referred to the next Meeting

The Committees appointed to Direct the Laying the Common Sewers in Sun Court, Marlborough & Union Streets Report they have attended to the same. That they are in progression

Voted, That Mr Parsons be added to the committee on the Common Sewer in Marlborough Street

The Communication to the President of the Board, from the Board of Health of Philadelphia respecting the Brigantine Perseverance late Dunham Master from Havana.

having been read it was Voted, that the President write an answer to the Letter from the Board of Health of Philadelphia thanking them for the Information given in their Letter &c and that the Visiting Physician write to all the Pilots directing them in case they come across the Brig Perseverance to convey her to Quarantine Ground for the further Order of the Board.

Voted, That Messrs Walter, Parsons & Ellis be a committee to ascertain the Names of the persons that went on board the Hoop Cask at Quarantine and to take measures for prosecuting the same

Adjourned to Monday Sept

August 11th 1809 Day At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Present Benjamin Russell Esq.r President

Mess.rs Ellis, Jones, Homes, Walter } { Ridgway, Lee, Parsons, Bates & Sore.

The Committee appointed to confer with General Davis Report. the General informed them he was ready to attend the Board whenever the committee of the General Court directed

Voted, that the committee make further progress in the business.

The Committee on the Sewers in Sun Court & Marlboro Street report progress

The Committee on the Sewer in Union Street report they had completed the drain and presented James Menzies bill for completing the work. viz

For digging and completing 164 ft. of Drain in Union Street. 116 ft at 75 Ct $87. and 48 ft $24	$111 .00
One Sink box	2 .50
Fine for Neglecting to comply with the Notice of the Board to remove the Nuisance	10 .00
	$123 .50
Blacksmiths bill	1 .50
	$125 .00

Voted, That the report & bill be accepted. That the persons Notified be assessed for the Amount; and that the President Issue his Warrent for collecting the same of the following Persons viz

David Townsend	$20.	83
Rev.d John Prince	20.	83
John Bailey	20.	83
Mechelfield	20.	83
John H. Blanchard	10.	00
E.d Ephraim Sutts	20.	83
Joseph Shed	5.	85
H Flag	5.	00
	$125.	00

Decemb 14th 1809. The Committee to whom was referred the Prosecution of Merrill & Shea report the information contained in Doc Welshes Report of the Sloop Corsair of ye Ireland, State that they have attended this duty and after consulting with the Town Advocate determined to send up a Bill to the Grand Jury for the Indictment of Shea & Merrill but our Evidence not being able to Identify the said Persons The Grand Jury could not find the Bill and it of coarse is lost for want of Evidence

Voted, That the Committee continue their attention to the business as Evidence may occur —

Voted, That the Secretary of this Board be directed to receive from time to come to receive Boston Money or Specie only for fees of Office

Voted, That the Treasurer of this Board be directed to collect the out standing Notes & Accounts of the board without delay — —

Voted, That the Members of the Board report at the next Meeting in Writing the State of their Wards generally —

Voted, That Messrs Lore Bates & Parsons be a committee to Examine into a Complaint of the Member from Ward No 12 respecting the filth emitted from the Scavengers Carts in that Ward —

The President informed the Board he had written to the Board of Health of Philadelphia as requested —

Voted, The Board Accept the polite invitation of the Select-men to visit the Public Schools & to dine with them on Friday next, and that the President inform them of the same

Voted, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay Francis Robins & Daniel Barker's Assessment for removing the Nuisance in Robins Court Six Dollars & 44/100

Treasurer to pay $6.44

Voted, That Capt Lee be a Member of the Committee on &c

Voted, That the Scales on the Town Treasurer & Money instrument be referred to Messrs Walter Lee & Parsons for consideration —

August 14th 1809

Francis Bowman &
Mess^rs Jonas Meriam having been Prosecuted by Order of the Members from Ward N^o 3. for not having the fore and back boards of their Carts Conformable to the regulations of the Board. They in time of the Session applied for a remission of the fine pleading ignorance of the Law &c on which it was Voted, That the fines be remitted they paying the Costs of Prosecution.

Adjourned to Monday Next

August 21st 1809

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President.

Mess^rs Binney	Ridgway
Jones	Tucker
Homes	Lee
Walter	Bates

The President Mentioned to the Board that General Davis informed him of the Committee of the Legislatures intention to visit Rainsford Island on Thursday next.

The Committee on the Common Sewer in Marlborough Street Report none &. and have further time allowed them

On complaint of the abutters on the Sewer made in Union Street Respecting the Assessment. Capt Lee & Mr. Jones were appointed to go and Examine with the Member of the Ward the Premises. who returned and reported, they on Examination found there were three Separate Tenements; that the Assessment in their opinion was correct.

Voted, That the report of the Committee be accepted and the Messenger be directed to collect the Assessment as Levied Viz.

The Members of Wards N^o 1, 2, 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 11. Reported the Sta[illegible]

of those Wards That the Internal Health Regulations of the Board were very generally observed. That a great degree of health prevailed therein; and That very few complaints were made of nuisances in the Scavengers' department; which reports were accepted. — The Members from Wards No 10 & 12 were absent.

The Committee on the Subject of Monies for the use of this Board Report. That they recommend a Special Draft on the Town Treasurer in favor of the Committee for Five Hundred Dollars. which should be lodged with the Town Treasurer to pay over to that Specially which being so done the Committee will hold as Collateral Security for Monies advanced. which the Committee have pleasure in saying can be readily procured to that amount if wanted for the use of this Board.

Voted, That the above report be accepted. That the President be authorized to draw on the Town Treasurer in favor of the Special Committee Messrs Walter, Lee & Parsons Esqr for the above mentioned sum they to be accountable to the board for the same

Voted, That the Secretary be directed to request of Mr Merriam Clerk of the Market to state to the Board the best method to be adopted to give Mr Bridge Opportunity to Clean the Market on Saturday Nights —

The Committee on the Common Sewer in Sun Court Street Report that they have completed the same & removed the Nuisance from the Cellars &c which cost as follows

William Bells bill 82 feet of drain & replacing the pavement at 60cts	$ 49. 20
To time for Nuisance	10 . 00
	$ 59 . 20

Voted That the Report be accepted —

And that it be assessed on the following persons viz

Persons —

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On Doc.r John Lothrop on Share $12.00
Mr William Ladd 12.00
Mr D. Oliver 12.00
Mrs Nancy Bright 12.00
George Blake Esq.r 12.00 $60.--

Voted, That Messrs Tucker, Lee & Walter be a Committee on Mr Isack Deans in Liberty Square &c.

Voted, That Messrs Ellis, Binney & Homes be a Committee on Mr John Pages Drain in Shit Sheet.

Adjourned to Monday Sept.r

Draft on the Town — Agreeably to the above vote the President this Day drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of Messrs Walter. Lee & Parsons a Special Committee of the Board for five Hundred dollars.

August 28th 1809 — At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq.r President

Messrs Binney, Ellis, Jones, Homes, Walter, Lee, Parsons, Bates

The Committee on the Common Sewer in Marlborough Street, report progress and had further time given them

On application of Mr John Page for remission of a fine for a violation of the Internal Health regulations, it was on Motion that the fine be remitted, Voted in the Negative

On application of Mr David Townsand for a Remission of the fine for the Nuisance removed by the drain made in Union Street

On Motion Voted that the subject subsided.

The Member from Ward No.10. Reports that so far as he can ascertain the citizens of his ward are in good health, &

Ward free from all contagious or malignant diseases, and that
Dec 8 1809 the general State and condition of the Ward is favourable to
the continuance of the Health of the Citizens.

The Committee on Money Matters report that the Trust on the Town Treasurer for five hundred dollars has been received, and is held by the Committee as security for the Money advanced Capt Lee. who has furnished the Money holds Mr Bridge's Receipt for the same The Secretary reported, he had made the communication Ordered to Mr Merriam Clerk of the Market; had received a letter from him to the Board, which letter the Board accepted.

The Committee on Mr Page's drain & Sewer in Ship Street ask for further time, which was granted.

Voted, That Mr Walter with the Member of Ward No 7 be a committee on a Nuisance in a Cellar of that ward.

Voted, That Mr Ellis, with Mr Jones, be a committee to take what Measures they think best, respecting a Nuisance in the dirtt House of Mr Bishop, in Ward No 3.

Dea Rhodes Member for Ward No 11 Reported that the Drain and Common sewer in Sheaf Lane where completed, and presented

Charles Roe's bill for Digging, Laying, and
providing part of the Stock for 225 feet of Drain at 50 Cts $112.50
2 Days Work in Turning up the Streets ——— 2.50
$115.00
So 17 feet 6 Inch Drain from Jon Loring & hemp at 50 $8.50
Three Teams & Clay ——— 5.00 13.50
To 5 pr Ct on the above $115. for Collection ——— 5.75
Dec 8 September 11 for Assessments $134.25

Adjourned to Monday Next

Sept 14th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day. Present Benjamin Russell Esq.r President.

Mess.rs Binney	Ridgway,
Ellis	Tucker,
Jones	Bates,
Walter.	Sore.s

Voted, That the further consideration of the Visiting Physicians report of this day Respecting the Death of John Duedy one of the Men. Sickness of Mr. Dunham Mate of the Buccaneer Friendship. Capt West who arrived on the 24th Ult.o from Savannah be postponed for the present.

The Committee on the Common Sewer in Marlborough Street Report. that the business was progressing.

The Committee on Mr Page's Drain in Ship Street reported that Mr Page had undertaking to remove the Nuisance from his Premises; and the Committee will see it completed.

The Committee on the Nuisance in Cellar of Ward No.7 reported that the Nuisance was removed.

The Committee on the Nuisance in Mr Bishop's premises Report they had attended to the same, that Mr Bishop informed them he intended to take down the building and to fill up the Cistern.

The Committee on the Wharf at the bottom of Leverett Street presented sundry bills for the Repair of the same.

Voted, That accounts be referred to the Committee on Accounts to Examine & Report at the next Meeting.

Voted, That the Subject of the Common sewer in Sheafe Lane be referred to Dea.r Bates, Mr Walter & Mr.s Jones.

Voted, That the following bills, as passed by the Committee on Accounts, be accepted & that the Treasurer be directed to pay

Sept[r] 4[th] 1809 The same viz Caleb[b] B. Munroe's bill of 31[st] August 1809 for the

Interment of John Dudy, ... $12.00

John Thayer's bill for Vitriol &c ..... " 43

John Knight's bill of 5[th] April last for the use of the Store for Ward 8. to meeting for Election of a member for the Board of Health } 3." 00

William Potts bill for removing & Partitions " 50

$15.93

Adjourned to Monday next.

Sept[r] 11[th] At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell, Esq[r] President.

Maj[r] Burney, Ellis, Homes, Walter } Ridoway, Tucker, Lee, Parsons, Bates, Moore

The President Reported that he had visited John Dunham, & that he was recovering.

Voted, That the Subject of Quarantine of Vessels from Savannah, subside.

Voted, That the subject of the Marlborough Street Common Sewer be recommitted to the Committee to ascertain who are to be assessed, & make a Statement.

Mr Ellis Reported that the Nuisance in Ship Street, is removed

Voted, That the Subject of the Drain in Bannister's Alley be committed to Mr. Ellis Tucker, Parsons & Moore to ascertain the Expence that will attend the same and Report.

Voted, That the Account of Edw[d] Harris of the 10[th] June 1809 ... passed by the Committee on Accounts amounting to Seventy One dollars 30/100 be accepted, and that the Treasurer

September 1st 1809 be directed to pay the same ——

The Committee on Sheafs Lane Common Sewer Report.

That Mr Jon.a Loring in consequence of his laying the drain from his house to Major Daniel Hefsenger's pump at his own expense, be exempted from paying any part of the expenses and that the same be assessed on Eleven Shares amounting to twelve dollars & twenty one cents per share on the following Persons viz

John Amory Esq^r	3 Shares at $12.21.		$36.63
Major Daniel Hefsenger	2 Ditto Do ——		24.42
Mr Israel Hager ——	1 Do	$12.21	12.21
his Cross Drain he pays for ——		14.50	
Mr Jonathan Loring's Shortsland			0.0
Mr Thomas Hill	1 Share ——		12.21
Mr John Pope	1 Ditto ——		12.21
Mr Josiah Vose	1 Ditto ——		12.21
Educ^a Gray Esq^r	½ Ditto	$6.11	
Cap^t Amos Binney	½ Ditto	6.10	12.21
Mr^s Nath^l Heard	1 Ditto ——		12.21
			$134.31

Voted, That the Report of the Committee be accepted and that the Assessment be made accordingly and that the President draw his Warrant to the Messenger to Collect the same ——

Voted That when this Board adjourn, they adjourn to Thursday Sept 9 o'Clock A.M.

Voted, That Mess^r Russell, Parsons & Gore be a Committee to confer with the Selectmen respecting a Visit to the Islands

Voted, That the Assessment on Mr^s Olney Bartlet is Correct

Adjourned to Thursday Sept 9 o'Clock A.M.

Sept^r 11^th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health, this Day

Present Benjamin Russell, Esq^r President

Mess^rs Binney, Ellis, Homes } { Tucker, Lee, Bates

The Committee appointed to consult with the Selectmen Reported they had conversed with the Chairman on the business of their mission; who informed them that their Board had concluded to defer going to Deer Island this season.

Voted, That the further consideration of the subject of this Board's going to Rainsford Island be postponed till the Next Meeting

Adjourned to Monday Next.

Sept^r 18^th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health, this Day

Present, Capt^n Amos Binney, President, Protem.

Mess^rs Ellis, Jones, Homes, Walter } { Ridgeway, Parsons, Bates, Gore

Voted, That the committee on the Marlborough Street Common sewer have further time.

The Committee on the Common sewer in Bangs' Alley Reported progress; and had further time.

Voted, That Mess^rs Walter & Ellis be a Committee to Collect the fee for the Sloop Lark Stephen Hadley Master from New-Providence a Certificate.

The Committee to Whom was committed the Conference with the Selectmen respecting the Annual Visits by these several Boards to the Islands, having been read and the Motives inducing to their Passing for this

Sept^r 18^th 1809 Reason their annual Visit being fully considered.

Voted, That the Board will dispence with the pleasure they usually receive on such Occasions for the Benefit of the Town —

The Board received information from the Visiting Physician that John Dunham who by the last report, was considered convalescence had, in consequence of his disorder taking an unfavorable turn, been removed to the Marine Hospital, where he has since died. —

On Motion Ordered that the above report be inserted on the Records ——

Adjourned to Monday 25th

Sept^r 20^th 1809 At a Special Meeting of the Board of Health.

This day called by the Committee for the Week on application from Major Joseph Tilen & John B. Fitch to investigate the case of the Ship Fox Capt Thomas Cuningham from St Christophers ——— Detained at Quarantine on account of two men landed at Belfast.

Present Capt Amos Binney President Pro Tem

Mess^rs Ellis, Jones, Homes } { Walter, Parsons, Gore

after conversing on the Subject. —

Voted, That sufficient evidence of the Health of the men landed from the Ship at Belfast has not yet been produced. and she cannot be discharged. —

Adjourned —

Sept^r 25^th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell, Esq^r President.

Josh^a Bumney, Walter,
Ellis, Tucker,
Jones, Lee,
Homes, Bates, & Sore.

On M^r David Rich's application respecting his waste water. M^r Jones Capt Bumney & M^r Ellis were appointed a committee to examine the premises.

On the application of M^r Jedediah Parker stating his distressed situation & inability to pay the amount of his Note of Sixteen Dollars which had been sued

It was Voted, That the Treasurer of the Board discharge the Execution that has been issued on the said Parkers Note of Sixteen dollars given the Board for his Assets on the Love Lane Common sewer of 24^th October last) and charge the Town with the Amount.

Doct^r Welsh having produced to the Board Certificates from the Selectmen of the Town of Belfast respecting the Men landed there from the Ship Fox. it was Voted, That they be entered on the Journal as follows —

To the President of the Board of Health in the Town of Boston. (This may certify That Capt Thomas Cunningham of the Ship Fox of Belfast, while lying at this Port discharged two of the said Ship's Crew to wit. Archibald Sale, and Ebenezer Cunningham and that said men There discharged were in good Health.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of Septem^r 1809 William Moody, George Watson } Majority of the Selectmen of Belfast

This may Certify whom it concerns that I was on board the Ship Fox Thomas Cunningham Master on Arrival

Sept 25 1809 at this port from the West Indias, saw the Captain & Crew, who were all well and do further Certify that Arch^{d} Dale and Benj^{a} Cunningham were in good health and did not leave the Vessel on Account of Sickness, but as Supercargo to attend to other employment. —— C. C. Chandler

Belfast 20 Sept 1809

I hereby Certify that Doc^{r} Chandler is Physician to the Marine Hospital which includes this Town.

J Wilson

and that the Ship Fox be discharged

The Committee to whom was referred the bills for Repairs done on the Wharf at the End of Leverett Street Report —

That there is due to M^{r} Samuel Colburn for his own work & Sundrys paid for by him ---- } $198.97

To Crocker & Richardson their bill of Timber 24.53

To Newton Iron Work Co for Spikes ---------- 22.25

To Bowman & Meriam for Dirt ---------- 16.50

To Child & Adams for Boards & Carting ---------- 95.59

To John Howe for Plank ---------- 86.11

$504.15

Amounting to five hundred & four Dollars and fifteen Cents which we recommend should be discharged by draft on the Town Treasurer

That there did remain on hand the property of the Board 1032 feet of Spruce Plank which is sold to M^{r} Colburn & deducted from his Bill. And one pair large door hinges which should be attended to by order of the Board

Voted, to Accept the report & that Capt Binney be authorized to sell the Hinges for Account of the Board

Voted, that the Bill presented by the Committee be accepted

Sept^r 25 and that the President give a Draft on the Town Treasurer for the amount Five Hundred & four Dollars 15/100 in favor of the following persons viz —

In favor of Capt Amos Binney to pay Colburns Bill viz $198.97
in favor of Crooker & Richardson 24.73
in favor of Newton Iron Works Co 22.25
in Ditto of Bowman & Morriam 16.50
in Ditto of Child & Adams 95.59
in Ditto of John Howe 86.11
$504.15

Voted, That Henry Newmans bill of Rent of Hall to 1st July last of Sixty dollars. & Messr Russell & Butlers bill for printing of Sixty three dollars 50/100 as passed by the Committee on Accts be included in the Draft above Mentioned. —

Voted, That the President & Capt. Binney be a Committee to request the Selectmen to insert in the Notification for the next Town Meeting an article, at the request of the Board of Health, that the town would assign a suitable place or places from whence the Board may build a Wharf or wharves for the removal of Nuisances. —

Voted, That this Committee be Directed to attend the town Meeting to advocate the business.

The Committee appointed to Collect the fee for the Discharge of the Sloop Lark from Quarantine Reported Progress —

Adjourned to Monday Sept 27

Agreeably to the Above Votes the President this day Drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of the above Mentioned persons for Six Hundred & Seventeen dollars & 65/100 —
$617.65

October 2 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Mess^rs Binney, Ellis, Jones, Homes | Walter, Lee, Parsons, Bates & Gore

The Committee on David Rich, vs the Water, Reported that the Nuisance is removed

On the application of Mr William Boardman & William Coolidge to open the Drain from their premises to the Mill Creek Mess^rs Homes Jones, & Gore were appointed a Committee to superintend the same.

Voted, That the President, Mr Gore & Waller be a Committee to consider of the time proper to take off the Quarantine.

The Visiting Physician having laid before the Board a Letter from Dr Holbrook dated Milton Sept^r 30^th 1809 stating the wish of the Selectmen of Milton to have the use of the Hospetal on the Island

Voted, That the Small Pox Hospital at Rainsford Island shall be at the Service of the Selectmen of any town of the Commonwealth upon a regular application to this Board for the purpose who have or shall hereafter encourage a general Vaccination for the purpose of testing the security of that innoculation by the small pox Matter, which will be furnished by the Visiting Physician; the persons so tested and the persons attending them to be subject to the Police of the Island.

Also Voted, that the Visiting Physician be directed to give every aid in his power to carry the objects of the application into complete effect.

Mr Walter a Committee for the purpose presented a

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attested copy of an Act of the General Court, passed June 16. 1809 to exempt persons who now are, or may be appointed Members of the Board of Health for the Town of Boston, from common and ordinary military duty, during the time they continue to be members of the Board aforesaid. which is filed on file ——

The Committee appointed to collect the fee of the Sloop Lark had further time ——

Adjourned to Monday Next

October 6[th] 1809

At a Special Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq[r] President

Mess[rs] Phinney	Tucker
Ellis	Lee
Jones	Parsons
Walter	Bates
Ridgway	Gore

The Visiting Physician's Report of Yesterday having been read it was Voted, That the Visiting Physician detain on the Island Charles Holt who had been put on board the Brig Sally Sylvester Richmond Master, from New Orleans till the said Brig shall be discharged from Quarantine ——

Information having been given the Board that John W. Folsom has violated the Quarantine Laws, by going on board an infected Vessel on quarantine,

Voted, Unanimously, That an Order be sent to said John W. Folsom that within four hours he proceed to Rainsford Island, there to remain so long as the Brig Sally Richmond Master, shall perform Quarantine agreeably to the 4th section of the Act, to empower the Town of Boston to Choose a Board of Health &c passed June 20[th] 1799 Turn over

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Health Office, Oct 6 1809

Agreeably to the above Vote John W. Folsom, above named, is hereby ordered to repair within four hours to Rainsford Island, there to abide the regulations of quarantine.

By Order of the Board,
Benj Russell, President

A True Copy of Record
N. Fremont Sec'y

Voted, That Mess Ridgway & Ellis be a Committee with Mr Walter, to assist him in the business of the Mill pond

The following Order was Voted

In Board of Health. Boston Oct 6th 1809

Ordered, That all Vessels which shall arrive from ports in the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and the Territory of Orleans, be held to perform quarantine at Rainsford Island, until further Order of this Board and the Visiting Physician, Pilots, and all others required to execute the Health Laws will take Notice and govern themselves accordingly —

a true Copy of Record
N. Fremont Sec'y

Voted, That Mess Walter & Ellis committee to Collect pay for Sloop Lark, Certificate have further time —

Adjourned to Monday Next

Octo 9th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Mess Binney, Ellis, Jones, Homes
Walter, Ridgway, Tucker, Lee & Parsons

Octob.r 9th 1809 The Committee on Messrs. Boardman & Coolidges drain Reported that the business is completed. —

Voted, That the Committee chosen to Consider the proper time for the Quarantine to cease post pone their Report till next Monday. —

A Letter from the Passengers of the Brig Sally from New Orleans at Quarantine being Read —

Voted, That it is inexpedient to grant the request in said Letter it being contrary to the Practice of this Board

Voted, That the Committee on Sloop Lark business have further time

Voted, That the President be authorized to Draw on the Town Treasurer in favor of Hugh Mc Donald for Twenty two dollars fifty five cents, the amount of his bills this day presented and accepted for Work on Samuel Tucks drain near Liberty Square, done by Order of the Board

Adjourned to Monday next

Draft on T. T. Agreeably to the above Vote, the President this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of Hugh Mc Donald for Twenty two dollars fifty five Cents. —

Octr 16 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day Present Benjamin Russell, Esq. President.

Messrs Binney	Ridgway
Ellis	Webber
Jones	Tucker
Homes	Lee, Bates. & Fox

Voted That the Committee on the Expiration of the Quarantine

October 16 1809 post pone their Report till the next adjournment of this Board

Voted, That this Board visit Rainsford Island on Saturday next, and that a Committee be appointed to make arrangements for the same. Capt Lee, Binney & Ellis were chosen

That each Member be authorized to invite two Guests; and and that invitations be also given to the D. M. General Comd Offic of Fort Independence, Gen Dearborn Collector of Revenue, Mayor Smith Capt Freeman Col Adams

Voted, That the Charge of Capt Samuel May of Two Hundred and Eighteen dollars for Sewer in Broad Street (entering into his) be added to the General Charge of the drain from Bang's Alley.

Voted, That in the visitations to the Island in future the Chairman of the Committee of arrangements be considered as the Vice President of the Day

The Committee on Drain in Bang's Alley Report the Expence as follows.

Hugh Mc Donald for digging & Laying Drain in from Bang's Alley to Broad Street	$310.94
" Barney Miles Bill of Plank	21.25
" James Brown Bill of Brick	20.80
" William Wentworth for Travel	5.00
Totham & Wm Barnes for Plank	11.13
" John Oakam Night Work	22.00
" Sargent & Hart Paving	7.75
Nine Men attending at night	12.00
Samuel May for Entering this Drain in Broad Street	216.00
	624.87
5 PC for Collection &c	31.24
	$656.11

And that it be allowed as follows viz

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October 16 1809 — In Dea^n Richard Saxon for Heirs of Bangs

Estate	1 Share	$72.90
Daniel Badger	one Ditto	72.90
M^r Oliver & Bradford	two Ditto	145.80
Elisha Doane, Esq^r	two Ditto	145.80
David Greenough, Esq^r	one Ditto	72.90
Salsbury Jackson	two Ditto	145.80
		$656.10

Voted, That the Report of the Committee be accepted and the Amount assessed as above directed, and that the Treasurer Issue his Warrant to the Messenger to collect the same

Voted, That the Report of the Committee on the drains & Common Sewers from Fort Hill Battery North & Broad Street now reported be accepted and the Expense be assessed as Reported.

Voted That the Expense of the Guard at N^r Widdeth Ordered by the Board be allowed — when the bill for the same is Presented to Com^n on Dec^r

Adjourned to Saturday Morning Next 8 O Clock

October 21st 1809 Agreeably to the Vote of the Board at their Meeting of the 16. Instant. Most of the Members with the Collector of the Port. Quarter Master General Major Swift & a number of other invited guests, met at the Health Office, and proceeded to the Packet at India Wharf and from thence to Rainsford Island; Where the Board was formed. Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President. Messrs Binney. Ellis Homes Ridgway Tucker. Lee. Bates. & Gore.

Visit to the Island

An application was received from John W. Nelson Coroner for Suffolk; in behalf of himself & M^r Holt who had been kept at the Island for a violation of the Quarantine Regulations. In going on board an infected Vessel, and the Passengers in the Bally of the Richmond from New Orleans. The Board after considering of the subject

October 21 1809 and making due enquire of the Visiting Physician Voted.

That the General Quarantine on Vessels cease and terminate on the 25th Instant ——

Voted, That the Passengers who arrived in the Brig Sally Sylvester Richmond from New Orleans having been kept distinct & seperate from the Vessels since her arrival, and being now in good health be discharged this day. ——

Voted, That Mr Folsom & Mr Holt be also discharged this Day.

In Board of Health Rainsford Island Oct 21. 1809

Ordered, That the General Quarantine Regulations of this Board Passed on the 1st of May 1809 cease and terminate on the 25 day of the present Month ——

Provided nevertheless, That all Vessels their officers crews Passengers and cargoes, which shall arrive from any of the ports in the States of North Carolina. South Carolina and Georgia the Territory of Orleans, and the Island of Cuba: shall be held to perform the usual quarantine at Rainsford Island, untill the further order of this Board ——

The Board & their Guests having partook of a variety of the good things of the Sea & Land; Examined the Island Hospitals &c &c Returned to Town in good season. ——

Adjourned ——

October 23 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Messrs Binney, Ellis, Jones } { Homes, Lee, Bates

Complaint having been made to the Board of the Offensive[ness] of the Drain in Bangs Alley, It was Voted to Commit the subject of the Sewer in Bangs Alley to Messrs Fowler Binney & Ellis with full powers to convene the parties & hear them on the

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subject on Instance of Capt Stem: Hay (who drains thy Cellar into Broad Street) and make a New Assessment and report the same to the Board for approbation.

Voted, That the Cotton landed from the Brig Sally & Equator at Rainsford Island, be reshipped and discharged with the Vessel the Visiting Physician having reported that the Health of the Inhabitance will not be indangered thereby.

Voted, So far to reconsider the Assessments for the Drains & Sewer from Fort Hill & Broadstreet as to recommit the subject to a Committee of three viz Messrs Lee. Bates & Rubsell

Adjourned to this Day fortnight

Nov 6th 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Messrs Binney	Ridgway
Ellis	Tucker
Joner	Lee
Homes	Bates
Welter	

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the drain in Bangs Alley. Having examined & Considered of the same and Stated to the Board Mr Elisha Loanes application respecting the premises. Report that they Notified & have met the abutters and heard them on the subject, and it is their opinion That the following persons be assessed as follows viz. Dea Rich. Fenno for Banquet hall 1 Share $65. 61

Daniel Badger	1 Ditto	65. 61	
Messrs Edw Oliver & Wm	Bradford	2. 131	22
Elisha Loane Esq	2 Ditto	131	22
David Greenough Esq	2 Ditto	131.	22
Mr Jackson	2 Ditto	131.	22

Voted that the Report of the Committee be accepted $656. 10

Jan" 6th 1809 and that an assessment be made accordingly, and that the President issue his Warrant to the Messenger to collect the same ——

The Committee appointed on the Drain from Fort Hill thro Battery March & Broad Street. Report the following Statement of the whole Expence as following bills viz.

Mrs Hicklens	$241.20
Quincy & Harris	110.25
Capen & Drake	287.—
James Burchstead	50.50 $688.95

Which bills were paid by the following persons

Mrs Hicklin	$202.80
Daniel Tilden	38.40
James Burchstead	50.50
Quincy & Harris	110.25
Daniel Hastings	31.89
Hooper & Nichols	63.78
J. Binney now Pownals	31.39
Capen & Drake	63.78
Jon[a] Harrington	95.66 $688.95
Add 5 P[r] C[t] for Comm[n]	34.41
to Make even numbers	1.64 36.5
Total amt	$725.0

To be divided into twenty five Shares of twenty nine dollars each on the following Lotters ——

No of Shares	Names	amount of assessments	Whole Am[t] paid by Each	Am[t] Due from	Amount to be refunded
1	Daniel Hastings	$29 "	$31 89	$ " "	$ 2.89
1	William Hawes	29 "	" "	29 "	" "
3½	Sam[l] Tuck	101.50	" "	101.50	" "
2	David Tilden	58. "	38.40	19.60	" "
1	Samuel Gould	29 "	" "	29 "	" "
1	Leach Harris	29 "	" "	29 "	" "
1	Mrs Eliz[a] Hicklen	29 "	202.80	" "	173.80
1	William McLean	29 "	" "	29 "	" "
1	Alm[n] Quincy	29 "	110.25	" "	81.25
1	Jacob Kendall	29 "	" "	29 "	" "
2	Jonathan Harrington	58 "	95.66	" "	37.66
2	James Burchstead	58 "	50.50	7.50	" "
¾	Peleg Tolman	21.75	" "	21.75	" "
¾	Benj[n] Pownal	21.75	31.89	" "	10.14
1½	Hooper & Nichols	43.50	63.78	" "	20.28
1½	Capen & Drake	43.50	63.78	" "	20.28
1	Whyman Harrington	29 "	" "	29	" "
1	Hatch	29	" "	29	" "
½	Hobart	14.50	" "	14.50	" "
½	Hodson	14.50	" "	14.50	" "
			688.95	382.35	$346.30
25			36.5	346.30	
		$725 "	$725.0	$ 36.5	

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To amt due from 13 abutters	$372.35	To amt to be refunded	$346.30
Add amt of ass^t of those over 5^c	253.75	Add p^d by Gilden & Burchstead	88.90
p^d by Gilden & Burchstead —	88.90	Comm^r of the Board —	36.5
		Ass^t to those over 5^c	253.75
	$725.00		725.00

The Committee on Harbors & Streets claim report the following Statement of Expence for removing Nuisance from the Cellars in said Street viz

Digging & laying 130 feet of common Sewer 18 Inches square in the clear, double bricked & Stated @ 110 C^t P^r foot	$143.	
Clearing 56 d^o in Brimfield's lane 33⅓	18.67	
14 Cross drains measuring together 271 feet at 75 C^t	203.25	
13 Wooden grates @ 25 C^t	3.25	
1 Load of paving Stones	2.50	
3 Bridges & Cleaning Street	7.32	
	707.99	
Comm^r on $707.99 @ 5 P C^t	35.39	743.38
Rec^d of the Propr^s of Summer Street Sewers		163.41
		$279.97

Remains to be paid by the Abutters in Hart Street & Bromf^d lane As follows

Town of Boston for pump drain as Bill	$41.25
13 Private cross drains from Cellars & pumps	165.25
Ballance to be divided into 19 Shares of $3.86⅔ ea being the whole N^o of Abutters	73.47
	$279.97

Voted, That the report be accepted and that the Assessment be made accordingly, and a Warrant issued by the President to the Messenger to collect the same.

Voted, That Samuel Williams bill for digging laying 10 feet of drain as Bill rendered by the Committee on Accounts be paid by a draft on the Town Treasurer. and that the

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President to be authorized to give a Draft for the same $7.50

Voted, That when this Board adjourn they adjourn to this day fortnight then to meet at three o'Clock P.M.

Voted, That the President & Mr Tucker be a committee to examine the drain in Williams Court complained of by Mr Dashwood

Voted, That the Committee on the Scavengers department Ascertain the Ballance due Mrs Vere Burdine and that a Draft on the Town Treasurer be made by the President in her favor for the same.

Voted, That the Quarantine on Vessels from the State of North Carolina be suspended

Voted, That a Draft on the Town Treasurer for three Hundred dollars in favor of Dr Thomas Welsh be made by the President

Voted, on application of the Visiting Physician, That a Committee be appointed to consider the propriety of making an addition to the Sum already Voted him by the Board

Messrs Walter, Binney & Jones were appointed a Committee.

The com.tee Report Rejecting the Widow Corbett's Drain in Essex Street &c &c

The Committee appointed to examine the Situation of the Estate of the Widow Corbett in Essex Street, report they found it Necessary to have a Drain sunk thro Rocks Lane. Which they have caused to be done, being 84 feet at 75 6th ℔ foot amounting to $40.50. Which sum it is their Opinion should be assessed on & paid by Mr Barney Wild agent for said Widow Corbett

Voted, That the Report of the Committee be accepted and the sum assessed as in Report, and that the President issue Warrant to collect the same

The Committee appointed to collect the fee for the Certificate for the Sloop Lark. reported they had attended to that business, and that the fee was paid the Secretary

Nov 6 1809 Voted, That the expence of the Coach to Milton to Convey the President Physician & Members to Witness the Testing of the Kine Pox by the Small, agreeably to Invitation of the Committee of that Town; be paid by the Treasurer of the Board.

Voted, That Cap[t] Amos Binney's Account for Sundrys provided Refreshment for the visit to Rainsford Island on the 21st Oct[r] last be paid by the Treasurer of the Board out of any Moneys in his Hands belonging to the Board amounting to $139.55

Voted, to adjourn to this day fortnight 1 PM to Meet at at three o'Clock P.M.

Adjourned

Nov 6 1809 Agreeably to the above report of the Committee on the Drains & Common Sewer in Marlboro. Street; the President this day issued his Warrant to the Messenger of the Board to collect the the following Assessment on the Owners & Occupants of Estates as follows.

Owners or Occupants	No. of Feet of Drain	No. of Shares	No. of Grates	Qtr at 37½			
Mr Thomas Curtis agent for his Father House Occu[d] by Mr Curtis	12	2	1		125	$ 10	93¾
Mr Allen Crocker	24	2	2		50	26	13⅓
Mr Penniman	10	1	1		25	11	61⅔
Town of Boston	55	1			25	45	11⅔
Mr David Townsend	35	2	2		50	34	48⅔
Mr Gillam Tayler	15	1	1		25	17	61⅔
Mr Revere	10	1	1		25	16	11⅔
Mr John M'Farlane	18	1	1		25	17	61⅔
Mr Devens	20	1	1		25	19	11⅔
Mrs Thomas	21	1	1		25	19	36⅔
Mrs Cashwood	12	1	1		25	17	61⅔
Mrs Greenleaf		1			25	7	73⅓
Tho[s] Townsend Estate Mr Semple		1			25	7	73⅓
Salesbury & Hayden	21	1	1		25	22	11⅔
Mess[rs] Daniel Shaw & John Boyle 1 Share each		2				7	73⅓
	271	19	13	3	36⅔	$ 279	91

Nov^r 6 1809 Agreeably to the above Vote the President this Day drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of

Samuel Williams for	87.50	
Jeremiah Bridge	1000 "	
Dr Thomas Welch	300 "	$1387.50

Saturday 20 1809 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day. Present Amos Binney Esq President protem

Mess^rs Ellis, Jones, Walter } { Lee, Parsons, Fore

Mess^rs Brown & Hale having been fined for a violation of the Internal health regulations; Mr Hale applied for the remission Whereon it was Voted the fine be not remitted

Lieu^t Rich^d Faxon agent of Mungo's Estate Hanges Alley: Thos. Mr Fore; Represented that the Estate is held during life by a widow who is poor & now in debt. That the Income of the Estate is 10$ p^r Month & he will pay 10$ p^r Month to the Board until the whole Abatement for the Drain from the Estate is completed provided access. The Board acceded.

The Committee on the Drain in Williams Court had further time allowed them

The Committee to ascertain the ballance due Mr Jeremiah Bridge for the Eight Carts Employed this season Do by his Acc^t; Report that One Thousand dollars was the ballance due him previous to the above Draft in his favour

The Committee to whom was refered the application of the Visiting Physician for an additional grant of Money, having attended the duty assigned, Report that the amount allowed that officer for the year 1807. 1350$ from State Tax
for the year 1809 900$ from Do 240.53

That the Committee on the subject of Salaries in Philadelphia reported Generally on that Subject and a mong other items that for the Visiting Physician Eleven Hundred and 25$ which was amended by the Board after a full

Nov^r 20^th 1809 debate, and accepted at One Hundred Dollars, it having been then expressly understood that the Board would at that time Vote the whole sum intended to be allowed as a full compensation. The Committee therefore do not think it proper to recommend any additional Sum because it must also apply to all the other officers of the Board

Your Committee expect that the fees for Sick at the Island & the State Floor will Probably Amount to One Hundred & fifty Dollars for the Current year ——

Voted, That the Consideration of the above report be postponed till the next Meeting ——

Voted, That the Quarantine on Vessels from the Carolinas, Georgia & the Territory of Orleans, cease from & after this Day.

Voted That Caleb Hunnes bill of Nineteen Dollars & 50/100 for burying &c be allowed & that a Bill drawn this day, be laid before the Committee on Bills, and by them laid before the Treasurer of the Board ——

Voted also that Windsor Hayes bill for 3 Cords of Wood $18.0 passed by the Committee be paid by the Treasurer of the Board

Voted, That Messrs Bore & Walter be a Committee to take into consideration and report the best way of Disposing of the Sworn Carts whether to House or sell them and the Propriety of building others. ——

Adjourned to this Day Fortnight ——

Decem^r 4th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Jones	Lee
Homes	Parsons
Walter	Bates
Tucker	Bore

The Committee on the Drain in Williams Court Report That by request of the abuttors the repair of the drain had been postponed, but that Mr. Mienzies had promised to repair it in a few days.

Decem'r 8th 1809

Voted, That the Assessment on the abutters on the Beam in Burnes Alley is Correct and must be paid ——

Voted, That a Discount of 5 ℘ct be made on the Assessments that are paid before next Saturday noon ——

Voted, That Mr Bridge's Account for the Eight Carts Employed this season & the ballance as stated by the Committee on the Scavengers Department of One Thousand Dollars is Correct and was Passed this day by the Committee on Accounts ——

The Report of the Committee on the Visiting Physicians request, made at the last meeting being considered it was voted not to accept the same ——

Included in the Draft of 11th Jan'y 1810

Voted, That a Grant of Two Hundred dollars be added to the Salary of the Visiting Physician Dr Tho Welch ——

Voted, That the Quarantine on Vessels from Cuba cease from this Day. and that the same be published ——

Adjourned to this Day Fortnight ——

Decem'r 18th 1809

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq' President

Mess'rs Binney	Ridgway
Ellis	Lee
Jones	Parsons
Homes	Bates & Mr Fore
Waller	

The Record of the last meeting having been read Enquiries made of the Messenger respecting of Assessments and the Board informed that Mr Elisha Doane had agreed to pay his & that Mess'rs Bailey & Mecklefield had not paid theirs It was Voted that Mess'rs Doane, Bailey & Mecklefield Assessments be collected by Prosecution.

Decem[r] 8th The following bill having been passed by the committee on accounts viz Mess[rs] Everett & Munroe's of 28th March 1809 for 12/8 & Mr Edward Oliver's of 5th May 2d for 83 cts it was Voted, That they be paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer

The following bills having been passed by the Committee it was Voted that they be paid by the Treasurer of the Board. viz Mess[rs] E & A Winchester's bill of 8 June $25.93

Mr Joshua Ellis's of 9 Do. — 9.00

Smith & Sadler Do — 5.00

Draft on the Town Treasurer $30.70

Voted that those bills be paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer as above

John Cutlers bill for repairs of Town Carts — 4.64

Thomas Badgers do bill — 6.6

Voted, That the Committee on Accounts be requested to report a System to regulate the manner of receiving, passing and paying accounts in future

Voted, That the consideration of Mr Thomas Speir, Selena Keepers bill of wages & Board of Boatmen be referred to the next Meeting

Voted, That the Pilots be informed of the cessation of the quarantine of all healthy Vessels after the 1st Current as published in the Papers of the City

Adjourned to this Day fortnight

Jan[y] 11th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day Present Benjamin Russell Esq[r] President.

Mess[rs] Phinney, Ellis, Homer, Walker

Ridgway, Lee, Bates, Gore

The Committee chosen the 20th Nov[r] to report on the Town Carts, had further time allowed them.

The following Accounts having been Examined by the

January 4th 1810 by the Committee on Accounts were accepted. viz

John Goodwin's of 3 May for 19 Load of Ditt four dollars 56/100 —

Elias Cobb's of 3 May to 12th October 1809 for repairing Town Carts thirty two dollars 68/100. William Morey's from 9th May to 12th Sept for Ditto Eighteen Dollars 72/100. Ephraim Thayer's from 16th May to 30 October 1809 for Ditto Eighty two Dollars 12/100. Nath. Freemouth for one Quarters Salary One Hundred & fifty Dollars. To Wm Phillips One quarter Ditto One Hundred Dollars. To Thomas Spear for the Ballance of his Account as Island Keeper & for boatmens Wages four Hundred and Seventy Eight Dollars. Making Eight Hundred & Sixty five Dollars 70/100.

Spears Acc 378.0
pd by Selectboard 250.0
Drafts on Town 478.0
798.0

Voted, That the Bank made to Doc Welsh & others at the Meeting of 4th Decem be included in the Draft —

Voted, That the President be authorized to Draw on the Town Treasurer for the above.

Voted, That the Bills presented by Mr Homes for removing Nuisance from Cellar in Willson Lane. by opening and clearing the Common Sewer be recommitted to Messrs Homes, Ellis & Binney to ascertain the Abutters & the Expence the amount in the usual way, & that the President Issue his warrant to the Messenger to collect the same —

Voted, That the Board cannot receive any anonymous letters such as the One addressed the Secretary Signed Amicus Reipublicæ and Ordered that the same be thrown under the table

Voted, That the Secretary be directed to request in Writing of Mr Tucker to furnish the Board with the bills for removing Nuisance in a Cellar East of Congress Street —

Voted, That the Treasurer of the Board be directed to Dispose of any uncurrent Bank bills in his hands for the most they will fetch and pay the receipt for the same to Credit of the Board —

Voted That Mr Tore be a committee to draw up a Notification to be published respecting the Emptying of Vaults & the Committee on the Common Sewer in Willson Lane Especially to the above Vote Ordered, That to Defray the

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Expense arising from the removal of Nuisances in Cellar in Williams Lane, by opening & Clearing the common sewer. Which cost as follows. viz

Michael Commets bill for opening & clearing 56 feet of Drain	$24.50
Estimated Expense of gravel & paving	10.00
Augustus O Barton bill for mending fence	5.50
5 P.C for collection	2.00
	$42.00

And that it be assessed on the following abutters viz

Maj'r John Frazer	1 Share	$4.00
Mr Nath'l Weld	1 Ditto	4.00
Mr John Fisher	½ Ditto	2.00
Mr Sam'l Belknap	½ Ditto	2.00
Mr Henry Nolen for Wm Welsh	1 Share	4.00
Mr Isaac Codman for John Codmans Heirs	Do	4.00
Mr Jon'a Harris	1 Share	4.00
Mr Gregory Clark	1 Ditto	4.00
The President & Directors of the Union Bank		4.00
Mrs Mary Lobb	1 Share	4.00
Thomas Perkins Esq'r	1 Ditto	4.00
Leonard Bernis for Mr Lane	1 Ditto	4.00
		$44.00

Which they will pay as by Order of the President

Adjourned to this Day fortnight

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Agreeably to the grants Voted of the Board of 15th Inst and this Day the President Drew on the Town treasurer in favour of the following Persons viz.

Edw'd Oliver	$ 3.00
Everett & Munroe	12.00
John Cutler	9.64
Thomas Badger	6.4
Thomas Welsh	200.00
John Goodwin	4.56
Elias Cobb	32.68
William Mory	18.28
Ephraim Lindyer	22.18
Nath'l Heckhough	150.00
William Phillips	100.00
Thomas Spear	478.00
Making —	$1096.40

Jan^{y} 15th 1810 — At a Meeting of the Board of Health 1st Day, Present Capt Amos Binney President P. Tem

Mess^{rs} Ellis, Jones, Hermes, Walter | Lee, Tucker, Bates, Gore

Voted, That the Committee on the Town Carts have further time on that business —

Voted, that Mr Tucker have further time to exhibit the bills for removing Nuisance from Cellar East of Congress Street —

The Treasurer of the Board, reported, That agreeably to the Vote of the board at their last meeting, he had disposed of the uncurrent bank notes in his hands & has charged the board with the loss —

Adjourned to this Day fortnight —

Jan^{y} 27th 1810 — At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day Present Capt Amos Binney President P. Tem

Mess^{rs} Jones, Hermes, Walter | Ridgway, Tucker, Bates

Voted, That the Committee on Accounts viz Capt Lee Capt Binney & Mr Tucker be a Committee to settle the Acc^{t} of the Board with the Commonwealth for the Stat poor sick at the Island. —

Voted, That the Committee on the Town Carts have further time. —

Voted, That Mr Tucker have further to collect Accounts

Voted, That Capt Binney & Mr Ellis be a Committee to make inquire respecting the Demand John Avery heirs &c — Report at the Next Meeting.

Adjourned to Next Monday fortnight —

February 13th 1810 — At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Messrs Binney, Jones, Homes } Walter, Parsons, Gore

Voted, That the committee appointed to settle the accounts with the Commonwealth have further time

The Committee on the Petition of the Heirs of John Avery Esq for rent, Report as their opinion, that the bill ought not to be paid

Rent for Land to front Court House on the North End of the Town —

Voted to accepted the Report of the committee

The Committee on the Carts Report that it is necessary to dispose of the Old Carts & Build Eight New Carts for the use of the to be in readiness for the ensuing season

Voted, That the Report be accepted

Voted, That the Committee proceed to carry their report into execution and engage such persons to Build the new Carts, as they may think best, & that they sell the Old Carts & Harness when in their Opinion it will be most for the advantage of the Town:

Voted, That the President, Mr Parsons & Capt Lee in conjunction with the Selectmen be a Committee to petition the Legislature for an Act in addition to the Act to establish a Board of Health in the town of Boston, to enable this Board of Health to take charge of the Burying Grounds, Interments of the Dead & with such penalties as may be thought proper

Adjourned to this Day afternoon at

February 26 1810 — At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day.
Present Capt Amos Binney President pro Tem

Messrs Ellis, Jones, Homes, Walter } Lee, Parsons, Bates, Gore

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February 20. 1810 — The Committee appointed to settle the Accounts of the Board with the Commonwealth for the States poor sick at the Island. Report. They have attended to the business, and the accounts have been presented to the Committee of the Court. The following Accounts having been examined and passed by the Committee on accounts viz.

Daniel Fairbanks for repair of Cart Harness &c	$ 28.78
Nath[l] Thayer's bill of Flags	20.00
Thomas Bartlett for Vitriol, Nitre &c	52.87
The Treasurer of the Board M[r] Jeremiah Fox for to pay Sundry bills he was Directed to pay	90.43
	$192.8

Voted that they be paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer, & that the President cause a Draft to be made for the same
Voted that following be published in the Papers printing for the board. — In Board of Health Feb[y] 25. 1810

Notice is hereby given to all persons having demands on this Board that their Acc[ts] be presented to the same for allowance & payment on or before the 10[th] of March next. — and all persons indebted to this Board for assessments on drains sewers or otherwise will pay the same to the Messenger on or before the the day beforementioned, or their several Acc[ts] will be put in suit. — By order N. Greenough Sec[y]

Adjourned to this Day fortnight

Agreeably to the above Vote the President this Day drew on the Town Treasurer in favor of

M[r] Daniel Fairbanks for	$	28.78
Cap[t] Nath[l] Thayer	"	20.00
D[r] Thomas Bartlett	"	52.87
M[r] Jeremiah Fox Jun	"	90.43
Making together	$	192.8

March 12th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esqr President

Messrs Jones, Homes, Walter } { Tucker, Lee, Gore

Voted That a committee be appointed to lay before this Board a Report of the committee of the Board of Health respecting the Grave Yards. Burial of the Dead &c. and their doings thereon up to this time. — The President & Mr Jones were appointed the Committee —

The President informed the Board that a Resolve was introduced into the House of Representatives, at the late Session, by the Committee appointed to view the situation of Raynsford's Island, appropriating Four Thousand dollars for building a Sea wall on the East end of said Island: which Resolve passed the House without opposition:- But, in the Senate it was postponed until the next General Court. —

Voted That Mr Homes deliver the Treasurer of the Board the Note of Hand he received of Wm Frazer for his Assessment due the Board on the Drain in Corn Court —

Adjourned to this Day week

March 19th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Mr Jeremiah Gore President Pro Tem

Messrs Ellis, Jones, Walter } { Rideway, Tucker, Lee & Parsons

The Committee on Accounts (Messrs Lee, Binney & Tucker) appointed to Examine the Accounts of the Treasurer & Secretary's Report, have

Voted, That the President of the Board be requested to make Arrangements with the Selectmen, for Notifying the Wards for Choice of Members of this Board, and a Quorum Appointed for Wednesday the 4th April Next — which was accordingly done

March 19, 1810 The Committee appointed the 12th inst. to report on the subject of the additional powers granted to the Board of Health of the town of Boston, —— Report,

That in consequence of representations made to the Selectmen of great misconduct in the persons intrusted with the interment of the dead, in the several Burying grounds, an article was inserted in the Warrant for calling the town Meeting which was held on the 6th November last, to take said representations into consideration at that meeting, after deliberation, the whole subject was referred to the gentlemen composing the Board of Health of the town, to consider on and report. The Board having accepted the commission, after due deliberation, adopted the following. ——

The Board of Health, who, on the 6th inst. were appointed by a vote of the Town, a Committee to consider the situation of the North Burying Ground, and the expediency of enlarging said ground by the purchase of land adjoining; and of opening the Granary Burying ground for the purpose of digging new graves or building new tombs: And also, to consider of, and recommend suitable places where Wharves may be erected for the removal of nuisances; or to suggest any other mode which can be adopted for that purpose: Having attended the several duties assigned them, ask leave to Report:

That they have examined the situation of the Burying Ground and made due inquiries on the subject, and are of opinion, from the greatly crowded state of that ground, it would be very difficult to dig any new graves therein, without encroaching on bodies already interred: And, therefore, they think it is expedient the said ground should be enlarged by the purchase of land adjoining thereto; which land they are informed is now for sale and that a Committee be appointed and authorized to contract for and purchase the same.

That your Committee having also examined the Granary Burying Ground, and duly considered the proposition for erecting new tombs therein, are of opinion, that it is necessary to open

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said ground for the purpose of digging graves — provided general and permanent Regulations for the interment of the dead are previously adopted: And that it is not expedient to adopt the plan for building Tombs therein.

That your Committee have made diligent inquiry for suitable places where wharves may be erected for the purposes named in their commission, and Report as the result of their inquiry: That at the North part of the Town there are several Tow Flats capable of being improved for that purpose viz. One at the West end of Charter-Street; One at the North end of Foster Street; — One said to pass through Hunts ship-yard (so called) and one other at the East end of Fleet-Street; from either of which the distance to a rapid tide is but short.

That at the Westend of the Town, there are Flats adjacent to the Alms House wharf, on which a wharf can be erected contiguous to the one formerly built by the Board of Health, on land now claimed by the heirs of Leverett; a part of the materials of which may be used in the erection of a new wharf.

That at the South part of the town they cannot find a suitable place for the purpose contemplated where there is a sufficient current, excepting from the wharves of South Boston Bridge; the proprietors of which, probably, would give leave to improve them therefor on terms less expensive to the town than to build a Wharf several hundred feet in length to the channel.

That from the short time allowed them to make their Report, Your Committee are not able to suggest any other mode of removing nuisances than that now practised by the Board of Health.

Your Committee ask leave further respectfully to represent, that in the performance of the duty assigned them they have taken into consideration and have examined the present state of all the Burying Grounds, and are fully impressed with the great necessity of the establishment of general and permanent Regulations for the interment of the dead; — they therefore recommend the following suggestion to the consideration of the Town, and are of opinion, should they be adopted and reduced to a system, it would have a

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tendency to prevent all future complaints on this important subject.
1st. That the authority to regulate the interment of the dead be vested in the . . . . . with competent powers—to establish the police of the Burying Grounds, and to appoint Superintendants thereof:—to make regulations for funerals and funeral processions:—to appoint Undertakers, and Funeral Porters; prescribe their duties and determine their fees.
2d. To each Burying ground there shall be a Surperintendant, whose duty it shall be—to keep the fences, walls and gates of the ground under his care in complete repair, and properly secured by bolts and locks:—to point out the place and depth of every grave to be opened therein;—to cause the graves to be dug in exact ranges, parallel with and as near to each other as may be;—to record, in a book to be kept for that purpose, the name, age, and sex of each person interred; the Family to which the deceased belonged; the disease or cause of death; and whether citizen or stranger; the time when interred; the number of the grave and the number of the range where buried, or the tomb where deposited. In January, annually, he shall make out a true copy of his register and lodge the same in the office of the Board of Health, where it shall remain as a publick record, and from such returns the Board of Health shall publish annually a Bill of Mortality.
The Superintendant shall permit the family of any person buried in any grave in the ground under his care, to place horizontally on such grave a stone, provided such stone be six feet long and two feet wide, having the number of the grave, the number of the range, and the person's name cut thereon, which fact being duly entered in his record, such grave shall be reserved for the same family for twenty years.
He shall permit the same grave to be reopened for other members of the same family, provided the top of any coffin shall not be within four feet of the surface of the ground. He shall see that the first coffin buried in any grave, shall be at least eight feet from the bottom to the surface of the ground. Each Superintendant shall cause to be erected in the ground und-

March 19th his care, under the direction of the Board of Health, a Public vault, in which shall be deposited the bones of persons heretofore buried, whose families cannot be ascertained; and such other bones as families may wish to have removed from their tombs or graves. Whenever it shall be necessary (for the preservation of the ranges complete) to remove the remains of any person heretofore buried, and there are surviving members of the same family resident in the town, the Superintendants shall be responsible for the safe and decent deposit of such remains at the bottom of the new grave, previous to placing any coffin therein. And, whenever it shall be necessary to remove any monumental stone from any grave heretofore dug, the relicts thereof shall be placed in the bottom of a new grave on which such stone shall be placed horizontally; unless the family of the person commemorated shall prefer placing a new stone thereon, in manner and form before prescribed. He shall not commence any new range of graves until the preceding range is taken up with single or family graves as aforesaid.

3 d. There shall be allowed to each Superintendant, as compensation for their services, One Dollar for each grave, and Fifty Cents for each tomb opened in the ground under his care, to be paid by the families of the persons buried, or in case of inability to pay, the same shall be allowed by the Town. He shall also be allowed Twenty-five Cents for each record made by him as aforesaid, of persons buried or entombed in such ground, to be paid by the Town on the transmission of a true copy of his records to the office of the Board of Health as aforesaid. ———

4 th. No person shall be allowed to bury a corpse, or to act as Undertaker or Funereal Porter, but such as are duly licensed therefor; which licenses they shall forfeit for any breach of these regulations, or any misconduct in their employment.

5 th. The corpse of every adult person shall be conveyed to the grave or tomb on a Funereal Car, to be drawn by two horses and so constructed that the corpse will be equally safe from injury, by jarring, as in the present mode; and so ornamented and decorated as to be solemn and impressive to the living, and

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respectful to the dead. To this end there shall be built at the publick expense, three, or more Funeral Cars, to be placed under the care of three or more of the Superintendents, and deposited in places for safe Keeping, to be provided by the in the vicinity of the Burying grounds.

6th. The fees for the interment of the dead shall be as follows

To the Superintendant.

For each grave opened, One Dollar (as above)

For each tomb opened, Fifty Cents. as above

For use of Car, Pall, &c. Two Dollars. (this last fee to be accounted for on settlement of his annual account)

To the Undertakers and Funeral Porters

For each grave dug eight feet deep and covered to the satisfaction of the Superintendant (say) Two Dollars

For Each grave dug six feet six inches deep, and covered, as aforesaid (say) One Dollar and Fifty Cents.

For each grave five feet deep, &c. (say) One Dollar.

For each tomb opened and covered, &c (say) Seventy-five Cents.

For services at funeral, collecting and returning chairs, &c (say) one Dollar.

For notifying relatives, &c. (say) One Dollar for every twenty families

For tolling Bell (say) Twenty Cents for each Bell, each time tolled

For placing corps in coffin (say) One Dollar.

For two Assistant Porters (say) Seventy-five Cents each.

For hire of Horses (say) Fifty Cents each horse

All charges for extra trouble to be determined by the Board of Health —

Your Committee further recommend, that under the preceding Regulations, all the Burying Grounds be opened for the purpose of digging graves, and that the square land now and appropriated for a Burying Ground, on the East side of Washington Street, should be immediately taken up for that purpose, and that permission be given to any of the inhabitants to build Tombs therein under the direction of the Board of Health and on condition of building a brick wall against their tombs.

All which is respectfully submitted

Benjamin Russell, per order

Health Office Boston November 15th 1809

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That report having been made at an adjourned meeting of the Town held the 11th day of December; was, after debate, and the Blanks being filled with the words "The Board of Health" adopted, unanimously.

The intire superintendance of the burial of the dead, and the Police of the Burial Grounds being thus delegated to the Board; the same was taken into consideration, and the Votes of the Town were committed to a Committee consisting of the President, Messrs. Waller, Lee, Parsons and Binney, to report thereon.

On the 15th January the above Committee reported, That it was expedient, in order energetically to execute the votes of the Town that application be made to the General Court for an act to authorize the Board to inflict heavier penalties for breaches of their Regulations on the subject, than those authorized by Town Laws. This report was accepted, and the President Messrs. Lee and Parsons were appointed a Committee to apply to the Legislature for such an act, in conjunction with a Committee of the Board of Selectmen. — The Board of Selectmen joined Charles Bulfinch Esqr (their Chairman) Messrs Homewell, Wright and Weld, The joint Committee preferred a petition to the Legislature which was committed, and the following act reported, passed in both branches and accepted by His Excellency: — viz —

Laws of the Commonwealth

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and ten.

An Act, in further addition to an Act, entitled "An Act to empower the Town of Boston to choose a Board of Health, and for preventing and removing nuisances."

Sect. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, That the Board of Health of the Town of Boston for the time being, be, and they hereby are authorised and empowered to make and establish rules and regulations for the interment of the dead in said Town; to establish the police of the burying ground

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and to appoint Superintendents thereof; to make regulations for funeral processions; to appoint undertakers and funeral porters, and to prescribe their duties and fees.

Sect. 2. Be it further enacted, that the said Board shall be authorised to fix and establish such penalties for the breach of any of the said rules and regulations, as they shall deem proper: Provided however, that no penalty shall, in any case, exceed fifty dollars. to be recovered by action in any Court proper to try the same, one moiety to the use of the persons who shall prosecute therefor and the other moiety to the use of the town of Boston. ——

In the House of Representatives, March 6, 1810

This Bill having had three several readings passed to be Enacted

Timothy Bigelow, Speaker

In Senate, March 6th 1810

This Bill having had two several readings, passed to be Enacted

H. G. Otis President

March 6, 1810

Approved E. Gore

Secretary's Office
March 12th 1810 } A true copy of the original Act

Attest

Wm Tudor Secretary of the State

The Committee further report, as their Opinion, that it will be expedient to refer to the next Board of Health the Regulations to carry the above law into execution; and appointment of Supervisors and other persons

Which is respectfully submitted

Benj Russell per Order

Adjourned to this Day Week

March 26th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present William Homes President Pro Tem

Messrs Ellis, Jones, Walter; Tucker, Lee, Parsons & Bates

The Committee on Accounts appointed to settle the Acc[ts] of the Board Report progress

March 21st 1810 The following Bills having been examined & Passed by the Committee on Accounts were allowed by the Board and Voted, passed that they be paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer.

Voted to Adjourn to Monday next

Bills passed

Ebenezer Larkin's	$17.25
Benjamin Russell Esq	25.00
Dr Welsh's	9.00
Thomas Spear's	15.71
Mess Russell & Cutlers	22.00
John Boulstone	1.00
	89.96

Adjourned accordingly

April 2 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day.

Present Wm William Homes President pro tem.

Messrs Ellis, Jones, Walter, Ridgway } { Tucker, Parsons, Bates, Fore

The Committee appointed to Settle the Accounts of the Board report progress & had further time —

The following accounts having been examined and passed by the Committee on Accounts viz Messrs Adams & Rhoades bill for publishing the doings of the Board the year past Twenty Dollars. Jere.h Bridges bill for extra Work Removing Nuisances (as Corrected) Thirty One Dollars 33/100. William Phillips's for sawing Wood &c for the Health office Three Dollars 71/100. It was Voted that they be paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer

Voted, That Mr Walter be joined to the Committee on Accounts. Capt Binney being out of town & Capt Lee confined to his house. — Sick

Adjourned till tomorrow 3 O'Clock.

April 3d 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day by adjournment. Present Wm William Homes President pro tem

Messrs Ellis, Walter, Ridgway } { Tucker, Bates, Parsons

Turn.

April 3 1810 The Undersigned being a Committe appointed to Examine the Accounts of the Board of Health, report the following Statement of their receipts & Expenditures for the Year past —

Dr Quarantine Account Cr

To Visiting Physicians Salary	$ 1000	00	By Certificates for 155 Vessels	$	
" Additional Grant	200	00	from foreign ports at 10$ ea.	1550	00
" Port Wells for States port sick	125	00	" Ditto 17 Coasters 5$ ea	85	00
" Island Keepers Salary	300	00	" Ditto 4 "	1.	00
" Island Keeper for Board & Nurse	183.	75	" 177 permits to land 25	44.	25
" States poor			" Cash of States Treasury	308.	75
" Boatmans Wages &c	426.	90	" 21 Persons Exam at ye Office 25	5.	25
" Printing & Stationary	56.	75	" 1 Bill of Health	1	00
" Flags & incedental Expences	20.	00		1995.	25
" Materials for Cleansing vessels	52.	87			
" Expences of Board visiting Island	303.	42	" Balla Carr to General 9/6	674.	54
	$2669.	79		$2669	79

Dr General Account Cr

To Ballance Quarantine Acct	$	674. 54	" By fines &c for beach regulations	$ 105.	00
" Scavengers Contract for 3 Carts	2500.	00	" By Drafts on Town Treasurer	5179.	85
" 8 Privies & Removg Extra Nuisances	31.	33	" By Cash rec of Jefferson for drains &c	360.	47
" Repairing Carts & Harnesses	177.	62	" By Ditto in Treasurers Hands	83.	43
" Repairs of Night Cart-Wharf	504.	15			
" Printing & Stationary	113.	50			
" Wood & Incidental Expences of Office	30.	39			
" Ballce of Expences of drains &c paid by the Board	637.	22			
" Secretarys Salary	600.	00			
" Messengers Ditto	400.	00			
" Henry Newmans Rent of Flats	60.	00			
	$ 5728.	75		$ 5728	75

Errors Excepted B. April 1810
Geo. G. Lee
Richd D. Tucker
} Committee

NB There appears to be three Hundred ninety four Dollars Eighty nine Cents now due the board uncollected, for drains & Common Sew[er]s

Voted to accept the above Report and that the account be published

in the Papers Employd by the Board for the Information of the Inhabitance ——

Voted, That a Grant be made in favour of Mr Jeremiah Gore jun Treasurer of the Board for Two Hundred & Sixty dollars $\frac{30}{100}$ on the Town Treasurer which with the Ballance in his Hands of Eighty three dollars $\frac{43}{100}$ to enable him to pay the Accounts and Ballances Due from this Board to Sundry persons as p General Account viz.

Doc^r Thomas Welsh his ballance of Salary	$99.00	
his bill of Town Poor. D^o	9.00	
William Phillips ballance of Salary	90.00	
his bill of Sundrys for the Office	3.71	
William Smith Esq^r for Sam^l Williams Jr	9.73	
Messrs Russell & Cutler	22.00	
John Roulston	1.00	
Ebenezer Larkin	17.25	
Thomas Spear^s for Town's Poor Sick at Island	15.71	
Benjamin Russell Esq^r	25.00	
Adams & Rhoades	20.00	
Jeremiah Bridge	31.33	
	$343.73	

Voted, That the Expence of the Drain from the Widow Corbitts Estate in Essex Street (Forty Dollars & 50 Cents) be assumed by the Board and paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer in favour of Doc^r Daniel Bates Dated the 4th Current and placed as the first Draft of the new Board ——— ———

Voted, That the Assignment on Barney Wilde, Mr Corbetts Agent be given Mr Parsons to prosecute in behalf of the Board ———

Voted, That the Thanks of this Board be given to the President Benjamin Russell Esq^r for his impartial & dignified Conduct in the Chair of this Board for the past year which passed Unanimously ——

Voted, that when this Board adjourn, they adjourn without Day,

Adjourned accordingly

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Agreeably to the Vote above The President this day Drew on the Town Treasurer in favour of Mr Jeremiah Gore Jun.r for Two Hundred and Sixty dollars 30/100 to pay as mentioned within to Sundry persons

$260.30

To pay for Widow Corbett's Drain Dock lane Charlestown & Mr Wild 6th Nov.r last

The President agreeably to Vote also Drew on the Town Treasurer in favour of Doc.r Daniel Bates for forty dollars & 50 cents Dated the 4th Curr.t to be placed as the first Draft of the New Board. all the accounts having been made up to the 3 Instant.

New Board Organized April 7th 1810

Boston, April 7.th 1810

The Clerks of all the Wards having reported to the President of the Board of Health, the Choice of Gentlemen who had accepted the trust, to serve as Members of the Board of Health for the ensuing year viz

In Ward. N.o 1	Cap.t Amos Binney		In Ward N.o 2	Mr Joshua Ell.s	
" "	3. Mr Darius Bordman		" "	N.o 4.	Mr Isaac Cook.
" "	5. Mr Lynde Walter		" "	6. Mr Tho.s W. Sumner	
" "	7. Maj.r Benj.a Russell		" "	8. Mr Rich.d D. Tucker	
" "	9 George S. Lee Esq.r		" "	10. Benj.a Parsons, Esq.r	
" "	11. Mr Rich.d Chamberlain		"	12. Mr Jere.h Gore Jun.r	

The same were severally Notified to meet at the Health office on Saturday this the 7.th Instant at 4 O'Clock P. M. to Organize the New Board.

The Members returned from the Several Wards met agreeably to notice, at the Health Office at the time above Mentioned; Except Mr Waller & Cap.t Lee.

Benjamin Russell, Esq.r President, for the time being took the Chair

The returns from the Several Wards were Examined by the President and reported correct.

On Motion that the Members present proceed to the Choice of a President, Voted, that Mr Parsons be a committee to

April 5th to receive and Count the Votes for President
1810

Who reported the whole Number of votes 9 Benjamin Russell Esq.r had Nine votes and was chosen —

The same Committee were chosen to receive & count the Votes for Secretary —

Who reported the whole Number of Votes 10. Nath.l Greenough had 9 Votes & was chosen. Mr. William Phillips was Unanimously chosen Messenger —

The President having informed Nath.l Greenough that he was chosen Secretary of the Board of Health for the ensuing year; Administered to him the following Oath, viz.

I, Nathaniel Greenough, do swear, to make a faithfull record of all the Votes, proceedings, and Regulations of the Board of Health; and faithfully perform, all the Duties encumbent on me as Secretary of the said Board, to the utmost of my capacity, during my continuance therein; so help me God.

Nathaniel Greenough

Sworn before me Benj.n Russell, President of the Board of Health.

Voted, That the Board proceed to the Choice of a Treasurer for the Board. The Committee having Received & Counted the Votes declared Mr. Jeremiah Gore Jun.r had 8 Votes and was chosen —

Voted, That Cap.t Lee, Binney & Bucker be the Committee on Accounts —— for the ensuing Year ——

Voted, That the Board proceed to the Choice of a Physician for the Board, The same Committee having Received & counted the Votes, reported that there was 10 Votes & that Doct.r Thomas Welsh had 10 Votes, and was chosen. —

committee on Burials & Burying Grounds Mr. Binney. Sumner the President

Voted, That a Committee be appointed to take into Consideration the subject of Burials and Burying Grounds.

Voted, That Cap.t Binney, Mr. Sumner & the President be that committee

On Motion, Voted, That the Rules & Orders for the government of

April 7th 1810 The Board the last year be read. — They were read agreeably

Voted, That the Rules & Orders as now read be taken up and by on
and acted upon separately. The following Articles as amended
were adopted for the Rules & Orders of the Board the
ensuing Year, viz:

Article 1.

There shall be a stated Meeting of the Board every Monda
to commence the 16th Instant at 4 O'Clock P.M. until the firs
Week in Novr. and Once a fortnight the remainder of the
Year; Seven Members shall be necessary to form a Boar

Art. 2d

In the absence of the President, a President Pro. Tem.
shall be appointed.

Art. 3d

The Members shall take their Seats at the Board
in Numerical Order; The Member of Ward No 1 on the right
hand, and the Member from Ward No 12. on the Left hand
of the President.

Art 4th.

In all debates, The Speaker shall address the President.
and there shall be no Interruption of a Member speaking
Except to call him to order.
In all debates, no Member shall be allowed to speak to
the point in debate, more than twice. without special leav
of the Board, nor more than Once, while Members who
have not spoken, wish to speak

Art 5th

The Majority of Votes of the Members present shall
be considered, as the Act of the Board; but any Member
may Enter his dissent to any Measure on the Records
of the Board; and no Vote, shall be reconsidered by a

Spoil of less number than there were present, when the same was
1810 passed.—

Art 6th

No Member of the Board shall withdraw himself, without leave from the President.

Art 7th

An Inviolable Secrecy, shall be observed by the Members, of the Names of all persons entering complaints, And the Officers of the Board are Enjoin'd strictly to observe this Article.—

Art 8th

Punctuality, as to the Time of Meeting of the Board, shall be Strictly Observed; and no person other than the Officers of the Board, shall be admitted during its deliberations.—

Art 9

The Board shall be divided into Committees of Three Each, to be styled the Committee for the Week of the Board of Health; The Members of which shall set daily in rotation, and during their continuance in Office, shall have power to carry into Execution all the Laws, Rules & Regulations of the Board; shall make Records of their proceedings for the General inspection of the Members, and whenever they Judge it necessary; Call Special Meetings of the Board.

Art 10

No Member shall be Obliged, to serve on more than two Committees, Excepting the committee for the Week, unless all the Members are on that Number.—

Art 11

The Treasurer, Secretary and Messenger shall keep Books, to Enter all moneys which they may receive and pay belonging to the Board; which Book, shall at all times be Open for the Inspection of the Members of the Board.—

Committee for Internal Health Regulations. Mess^rs Walter Russell Parsons

Voted, That Mess^rs Walter, Russell & Parsons, be a Committee to report the Internal Health Regulations for the Ensuing year.—

April 7th 1810. Mess.rs Lee, Sumner & Ellis. Com.tee on Quarantine Reg.s

Committee on Scavengers Dep.t Mess.rs Gore, Binney & Chamberlain

Committee on Monies necessary Mess.rs Russell Tucker Gore

Committee on Salarys to be paid the Officers of the Board — Mess.rs Walter Boardman & Cook

Voted, That Messrs Lee, Sumner & Ellis, with the Visiting Physician, be a Committee to report Quarantine Regulations, for the Ensuing Year ——

Voted, That Messrs Gore, Binney & Chamberlain be a Committee on the Scavengers' Department, & Report Regulations

Voted, That Messrs Russell, Tucker & Gore be a Committee to Report to the Board, & inform the Selectors of the Town, what Money it will be necessary for the Town to raise for the use of the Board the Ensuing Year ——

Voted, That Messrs Walter, Boardman & Cook, be a committee to report on the Salarys to be paid the Officers of the Board the Ensuing Year. ——

Voted, That the Members of the Board be divided in the following Order, which shall be Styled the Committee for the Week, viz

Wards

Committee No 1.

Capt. Amos Binney
Mr Isaac Cook
Mr Richd D. Tucker

Committee No 2.

Mr Joshua Ellis
Mr Thos W. Sumner
Benjamin Parsons, Esqr

Committee No 3.

Mr Lyncle Walter
Benjamin Russell, Esqr
Mr Richd Chamberlain

Committee No 4.

George G. Lee Esqr
Mr Jeremiah Gore jun.r
Mr Darius Boardman

Voted, That Mr John B. Hammatt be Inspector of Feathers for the Board the Ensuing Year ——

Voted, That the Secretary be authorized to contract with the Printers of the Columbian Centinel & Independent Chronicle for Publishing & Printing for the Board the Ensuing Year; And to inform the other printers that the Board will not allow them more than ten dollars a year for publishing their proceedings unless, by special Order of the Board ——

Voted, That the Secretary be directed to Inform the Chairman

April 9th 1810 of the several Committees, now & at all times, chosen, of the subject they are to act upon, and the Names of the other Members of the Committee.

Adjourned to Next Monday week, the 16th Instant, 4. O'Clock, P.M.

April 16th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day Present, Benjamin Russell, Esq.r President.

Hon.l Phinney,	Sumner,
Ellis,	Lee,
Boardman,	Parsons,
Cook,	Chamberlain,
Walter,	Gore.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the subject of Burials & Burying Grounds, Reported, which Report was read. It was then Voted that the report be read by paragraphs and acted upon separately; the different articles having been read & amended, It was Voted, that the further consideration of the report be referred to the Next meeting of the Board; and in the mean time fifty Copys be struck off, and that two Copies be transmitted to each Member of the Board.

The Committee appointed to report the Internal Health Regulations for the ensuing Year Reported, which report was read and amended. It was then Voted to accept the report as amended, and that the same committee be requested to prepare them for the press, and contract for as many Copys as was struck off last Year.

In Board of Health, Boston April 16 1810

Ordered, That the following Regulations for preventing and removing Nuisances, have the force of Law; from and after Monday the 23 day of April, current.

April 16th 1810

House Dirt &c

Art. 1.st No person, or persons, shall be allowed to throw, or bring into any street, square, lane, or alley any house dirt, filth, or sweepings of any kind, or any decayed vegetable, or dead animal substance, between the first day of May, and the first day of November, ensuing. But all such house dirt, filth, sweepings, or vegetable or animal substance, shall be deposited in proper vessels, and kept in some convenient situation for the drivers of the Scavenger's carts to take away. And no person shall be allowed to cast any dead animals, vegetable substances, or sweepings of any vessel, into any of the docks, the mill pond, or any other place between the channel and the shore; nor to land the same, or any foul and injected ballast, or other substance, on any wharf, or landing place, within the town. And any dead animal thrown into the channel shall have a sufficient weight affixed to it, to prevent its floating to the shore.

Removal of Dirt, &c.

Art. 2. Whenever any quantity of dirt, saw dust, soot, shavings, straw, animal, or vegetable substance, or filth of any kind, shall be found in any cellar, yard, or other premises, or be thrown into any street square, lane, or alley, the owner, or occupier of such cellar, yard, or other premises, where found; or the owner, or occupier of the premises from whence such dirt, saw dust, &c. had been removed, shall cause the same to be carried away, at his, or her expense, within four hours after notification, in writing, from this Board. And all carts, or waggons, employed in the carting earth, clay, sand, or dirt of any kind,

Spirits shall have, and use good and sufficient fore and hind boards, and otherways sufficiently tight to prevent the said earth, sand, clay, or dirt, from dropping in the streets through which they may pass.

Waste Water

Art. 3. The owners, or occupiers of houses, buildings, or lands, shall cause all Waste Water from their premises to be conveyed from their cellars, yards, sinks, pumps, and vacant lands, through drains under ground to common sewers; or to such reservoirs, sunk under ground to receive the same, as a committee of this Board shall approbate.

Vaults, Privies, &c

Art. 4. The owners of vaults, or privies, and the occupiers of the house or houses, store or stores, to which they belong, or are attached, shall not permit the contents of such vaults, or privies, to rise within two feet of the surface of the earth; and if such contents are found within two feet of such surface, the owner or occupier or occupiers, will be prosecuted without further previous notice. And no vault or privy, shall be emptied between the first day of June, and the first day of November, without a permit from this Board, and by persons authorized for that purpose.

Stables, and Stable. Manure.

Art. 5. The owners, or occupiers, of livery, and other stables, shall not permit more than two cart loads of manure to accumulate or remain in, or near their stables, at any one time between the first day of May and the first day of November and shall keep their stable, and stable yards, clean and decent.

April 16th 1810

Market Stalls

Art. 6.—Persons occupying stalls in Faneuil-Hall, or Boylston market-house, or Market-place and Dock-square, shall daily, in the morning, during the months of June, July, August, September, and October, wash or cleanse their respective stalls—They shall not permit any heads, feet, or offals of dead animals, or vegetables of any kind, to remain in or about their stalls over night—They shall take up and remove the platforms of their respective stalls on the first day of June, and shall not replace them until the first day of November ensuing during which period, meats of any kind, shall not be exposed in the markets, or any other place within the town, excepting in stalls, carts, or other vehicles, which shall be covered from the rays of the sun, nor expose for sale any mutton or lamb, with the feet on the same.

Damaged Grain, Rice and Coffee.

Art. 7. No person shall be allowed to land on any wharf, or put on shore, from any boat, or vessel, or bring into town by land, any damaged grain, rice, or coffee, between the Tenth May and 10th November next without a permit from this Board.

Swine and Goats.

Art. 8. Swine and goats shall not be kept within the limits of the town by any person without a license from this Board, and such person giving bond to keep such swine or goats clean, and confined in situations which will not be offensive to the neighbourhood.

Fresh Fish.

Art. 9. All fish, before brought into this town, shall have been first gutted, and the fish made clean

April 15th 1810

Fresh fish (excepting such as are named in the succeeding article) shall not be offered for sale between the 1st day of May, and the 15th day of October, unless kept in covered stalls, fish boyes, or other houses, situated over the salt water: And fresh fish offered for sale in the streets before the 1st day of May, & after the 15th day of October, shall be kept clean in covered carts, barrows, &c.

Salmon and Small Fish

Art. 10. Salmon, Shad, Bass, Mackerel, Tautoug, Eels, Flounders, Tomcods, Smelts, and other small fish, may be sold at all times, in any part of the town, provided they be kept secure from the rays of the sun; but venders thereof will be held responsible for any nuisance created thereby. Provided, however, that Salmon and Bass, brought to town by sea, may be sold, and landed therein, when cleansed of their entrails; which entrails are to be kept on board in tight vessels, and removed beyond low water mark at every time of high water. And that no person take a standing, or near the Faneuil Hall market, for the sale of such fish as are allowed by this article, but at the north side of said market house, at the place provided by the Clerk of said Market for that purpose.

Oysters and Lobsters.

Art. 11. Oysters shall not be offered for sale within the limits of the town, between the 5th day of July, and the 1st day of September. Lobsters shall not be exhibited for sale, in any place, excepting on the several Bridges, Wharves, Ferryways, and at the Boylston Market, and Town Dock; and persons selling them there will be

April 16th answerable for any nuisance occasioned thereby)
1810...

Feathers, Rags, &c.

Art. 12. Feathers, old or new, shall not be landed, or brought within the limits of the town, between the 1st day of May, and the 1st day of November. without a permit from this office, after a previous examination by the person authorized by this Board — And feather, and other beds, bedding, clothing, or rags, shall not be landed, or brought into this town from any place where any contagious disease doth, or hath recently prevailed, unless by special permission of this Board.

The Mill Pond.

Art. 13. — The water of the Mill Pond shall not be drawn off so as to leave the surface of any part of the bottom thereof bare, between the fifteenth day of June, and the first day of October, without a permit from this Board.

These Regulations, in addition to those enumerated by the Act empowering the town of Boston to choose a Board of Health, being essential to the preservation of the Health of the town, it is the determination of this Board most rigidly to enforce their execution, and to prosecute all violators. — And, as heavy penalties are by law attached to the breach of any, or either of them, the Board request their Constituents to cause these Regulations to be made known to all persons under their direction, and read to their domestics; and to assist the Board in their due execution. — Complaints of any breaches thereof,

April 16th 1810 or any neglect or inattentions in any Persons employed or licensed by the Board, are solicited; and those who complain may rely on inviolable secrecy.

A True Copy Attest
Neath Greenwich Secretary

Benjamin Rydall President

The Committee on the Scavengers Department Report, That they think it expedient to employ Eight Carts during the present season.

The Carts & Harness being new & the Persons furnishing them, to make all necessary repairs the present year.

Your Committee recommend that the Town be divided into two Districts, Southern & Northern; if suitable persons shall appear to Contract for the Work. Considerable money having been expended on repair of Carts which your Committee wish to provide against in future they recommend to have inserted in the Contract for doing the Work, that they will not pay any repairs of Carts & Harness, but shall expect Carts & Harness to be returned in perfect Order as when received & well cleand. They would further recommend that the Season Commence on the first of May. & that the Carts be employd the First Week in removing all Filth & Dirt from the Streets. And that a Notification be inserted in the Papers Ordering all Dirt & Filth of every Kind removed from Yards Cellars &c previous to 1st of May. And they further recommend that it be injoind on each Member to perambulate his Ward and see that the Orders of the Board have been complyd with.

Your Committee recommend Immediate attention to the providing suitable places for night Carts to discharge at.

By Order Jeremiah Lord Jun Chairman

Voted, That the Report of the Committee be accepted, and that the Committee be requested to make arrangements to carry the same into effect

April 16th 1810 The Committee on the Subject of Salaries appointed at the Meeting of this Board on the 7th Current beg leave to report.

Salaries

That it will be expedient to allow, to the Visiting Physician Twelve hundred Dollars, per annum

To the Secretary six hundred Dollars,

To the Messenger four hundred Dollars, per annum

To the Island Keeper Three hundred Dollars, per annum

To the Boatmen employed by the Island Keeper Twenty dollars each per Month during the time of General Quarantine at Rainsford Island & no longer. —

To the Island Keeper for Maintenance of the —— said Boatmen twelve Dollars per Month for the time they may be employed ——

Voted, to accept the above report ——

Committee on Night Carts Mess. Parsons Ellis & Sumner

Voted, That Mess. Parsons, Ellis & Sumner be a Committee to act on that part of the report, of the Committee on the Scavengers Department recommended respecting Night Carts.

The Committee on Money necessary for the Board the current Year Report progress and had further Time.

Voted, That the Committee on Quarantine Regulations postpone their Report till the next Meeting of the Board ——

Adjourned to Next Monday

April 23d 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Mess. Ellis	Tucker
Boardman	Lee
Cook	Parsons
Walter	Chamberlain
Sumner	Gore ——

The Rules & Regulations for Burials & Burying Grounds

April 23 which was referred for the further consideration of the Board
1810 to this meeting; was taken up and debated upon, amended & again referred to the same Committee to revise 2d & 11th
Article to have Twenty Copies struck off for the use of the Members. (to consider on till this Day fortnight)

The account of William Bell for sawing over the Drain in Willsons Lane having been passed by the Committee on Accounts — (and the Amount Ten dollars allowed)
Voted. That the Treasurer of the Board pay the same out of Money in his hands assessed on the abutters for that purpose.
Voted. That Mr. John Wells's bill of $5.50 for Ward No. 6. meeting at his house to choose a Member for the Board of Health as passed by the committee on accounts. be allow'd and paid.

The Committee on the Scavengers Department made a Report of the offers of Contract.
Voted, That the said Committee compleat the necessary contracts with the Scavengers on the best terms in their Power, in order to carry the Regulations of this Board into effect on the first day of May, agreeable to the Internal Health Regulations, the Contractor giving proper Bonds for faithfull performance
Voted. That Mr Boardman be placed on this committee During the absence of Capt Binney.
The Committee appointed at the Meeting of 5th Current to report Quarantine Regulations. Reported; which report was read by sections & approved. The whole being gone thro with
Voted, to accept and adopt them, (with the letter to the Captain or Commander of Vessels on Quarantine) as the Quarantine Regulations of the Board for the ensuing year. — Voted, That the report be recommitted to the

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same Committee to have them published in the papers employed by the Board; and to Contract for printing of 300 Copies & 300 of the Letters to Captains or Commanders of Vessels on Quarantine.—

Voted, That Messrs Lee, Walter & Tucker be a Committee to consider & Report the time proper to visit Rainsford's Island.

Voted, That Captain Lee be a committee to State to the Town at their Next Meeting, the propriety of the Town's Borrowing a sum of Money to enable the Board promptly to pay their Bills.—

Voted, That Messrs Tucker & Cook be a committee on the Complaint of the Cellars near Congress Street back of Harris's Store's.—

Voted That all other business that should come before the Board be post poned till the Next Meeting

Adjourned to this Day Week

In Board of Health. Boston April 23. 1810

Ordered, That the following Regulations for Quarantine of vessels, and other purposes be published for general information:—

Article 1.—Quarantine of Vessels.

Section 1st. On and after the 21st day of May next, a quarantine shall be laid of all vessels, their officers, crews, passengers, and cargoes, that come within the harbour of Boston, which are from, or have touched at any port or place within the tropics, or from any port or place where contagious sickness doth, or hath recently prevailed—of all vessels on board of which any person shall have died of

April 23d 1810 — any disease, or been sick during their homeward passage, excepting vessels coming from places beyond the Cape of Good Hope, where no contagious or malignant disease was known to be prevalent previous to their departure — or from the islands of St Helena or Ascension.

Sec. 2. The quarantine above directed, shall be had near Rainsford's Island, under the direction of the Visiting Physician, and other officers of this Board and shall continue on every vessel which has had Twenty two or a less number of days passage, until she shall have made up Twenty five days from the day she left her last port; and on each vessel which has had Twenty three, or more days passage, Seventy two hours in addition to such passage. And on every vessel, on board which during her homeward passage, any person shall have died (excepting from accident or casualty) the quarantine shall be extended to 25 days from the last death. — And no vessel shall be considered as having commenced quarantine, until she shall have been anchored in her proper station on quarantine ground, as directed by the Visiting Physician, or other officers of this Board.

Sec. 3. The masters, officers, crews, and passengers of all vessels, when on quarantine, shall be subject to the Regulations of this Board, and such others as may be adopted by the Visiting Physician: And the master of each vessel shall be accountable for the appearance on board his vessel, at the time she shall be discharged from quarantine, of all and every person who arrived in her, or who may have been

April 23d 1810 — landed from her in any port of the United States, or put on board any other vessel, during her homeward passage, cases of death excepted. —

Sec. 4. In extraordinary cases the Committee for the Week is authorized to direct the above periods of quarantine to be prolonged.

Sec. 5. Vessels not otherwise subject to quarantine, having only Small pox on board, may be discharged whenever the Visiting Physician shall consider them free from infection.

Sec. 6. Every master of a vessel shall, within twenty-four hours after being discharged from quarantine, deliver at the Health Office in Faneuil Hall, the certificate and flag he shall have received from the Visiting Physician, or Island Keeper, and shall, on paying the sum of ten dollars, receive a counter certificate from the Secretary of this Board, to entitle his vessel to entry at the Custom-house.

Sec. 7. When any vessel has been quarantined, examined and attended, and the master is desirous of leaving the ground, with his vessel, for any other port, he shall, previous to his receiving his certificate of discharge, pay to the Visiting Physician the established fees.

Sec. 8. During the time a vessel shall be on quarantine on application made to this Board to permit the landing and conveyance to town of any wine, rum, spirits, salt, sugar, molasses, mahogany, dyer-wood, tobacco, preserved or other fruits, and such other articles as shall be declared incapable of receiving or conveying infection, and when permission to unlade the same shall have been obtained from the Custom house: it shall

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be lawful for the Committee for the Week to authorize the Visiting Physician of this Board, to permit such articles to be unladen from any vessel on quarantine, and the same to be conveyed to town, by Lightermen duly licensed by this Board for that purpose. And the Visiting Physician shall grant a certificate thereof, to be deposited in the Health Office, for which twenty-five cents shall be paid: And the lighters to be employed in the transportation of such uninfected articles, shall, when unemployed, be anchored off the south-east part of Ruinsford's Island; and the Lightermen employed therein, shall not be permitted to land in town, without the permission of the Visiting Physician.

Article II. Mediterranean Vessels.

Sec. 1. Every master of a vessel who, on and after the 21st day of May next, until the further order of this Board, shall arrive from any port or place within the Straights of Gibraltar, shall carry and anchor his vessel on quarantine ground, where she shall be examined by the Visiting Physician who may permit her to pass immediately, if it appears to him that the public health will not be endangered thereby— And the master of such vessel shall receive a counter certificate from the Secretary of this Board, to entitle his vessel to entry at the Custom-house, on his paying the sum of five dollars.

Article III. Vessels to be Reported.

Sec. 1. The masters of all vessels, which, on and after the 21st day of May next, shall arrive from any port or place not subject to quarantine, shall, previous to entry at the Custom-house, make report at the Health

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Office, in Faneuil Hall, of the state and condition of their crews, passengers, and cargoes, and of all other circumstances which may concern the public health. If found to be from a port free of contagious disease, the master of each vessel shall receive a certificate to permit the entry of such vessel, at the Custom house, for which 25 cents shall be paid; if otherwise, the vessel, crew, and passengers, shall be sent to Rainsford's Island, on Quarantine.

Article IV. Vessels From out Ports.

Sec. 1. Every vessel which shall arrive, and enter at any out-port from any of the ports or places mentioned in the first article of these regulations, and shall afterwards come to this port, shall be subject to quarantine, unless the master produces a correct certificate from the Board of Health, or Selectmen of such out-port, that such vessel has been at least twenty-five days from such ports or places, That during that time no person has died (excepting by accident or casualty) or been sick on board; and that such vessel has been duly examined, and thoroughly purified, or cleansed.

Article V. Infected Vessels.

Sec. 1. All vessels, from any port or place whatever, having, on their homeward passage, had one or more persons sick on board, shall, at all seasons of the year, be liable to perform quarantine, if, in the opinion of the Visiting Physician, it shall be necessary.

Article VI. The Duty And Power of The Visiting Physician.

Sec. 1. It shall be the duty of the Visiting

April 23 1810 Physician of this Board, to visit Rainsford's Island
every day when there are three or more vessels on quarantine;
and when less than three, as often as the committee for the
Week shall prescribe. He shall direct in what manner ves
sels are to be cleansed; what articles shall be landed,
washed, buried, or destroyed; He shall order the sick to be
landed, if necessary; shall attend all the sick at said Island,
prescribe according to his best skill and judgment to their
relief; and find all medicins; He shall be allowed to charge
each sick person for such attendance, provided his charge
does not exceed three dollars for common cases; but he may
increase the charge for extraordinary cases, deemed such by the
Committee for the Week; and he shall report at least once
a Week, the number of such sick persons under his care at
the Island, the length of time they have been confined
there; and, when discharged, shall immediately present
his account for attendance, to the Committee for the Week,
a record of which shall be entered on the Journal kept by
that committee; he shall direct the pilots where to anchor
vessels; and they are hereby required to obey his direc
tions; he shall deliver to the master of each vessel arriv
ing on quarantine, a copy of the Quarantine Regulations
of this Board. He may establish rules and regulations
for the preservation of good order on the Island, and to
promote the designs of quarantine; such rules and regula
tions being under the controul of this Board; he shall, from
time to time, report to the Committee for the Week, the state of
Vessels on quarantine; he shall grant a certificate of dis
charge to each vessel having duly performed quarantine;
and generally, it shall be his duty to do, and perform
all things necessary to carry the Regulations of Quarantine into compl
-te effect.

Apil 23d Article VII. The Secretary's Quarantine Duty.

Sec. 1. The Secretary of this Board shall receive the Visiting Physician's certificates of discharge; shall give counter-certificates to entitle such vessels to entry at the Custom-house; shall receive the fees required for such certificate, and all other fees, and the same pay to the Treasurer; he shall make the necessary enquiries of all masters of vessels reporting at this Office; shall note the same; and shall receive and communicate at every meeting of this Board, the reports received from the Island.

Article VIII. The Island Keepers Duty

Sec. 1. The Island Keeper shall personally attend the purification of all vessels, clothing, bedding, persons &c at quarentine, agreeably to the directions of the Visiting Physician—He shall board and attend the sick, and find nurses—He shall be allowed five dollars each week for the board and nursing each sick person at the Island; to be collected as the fees of the visiting Physician are by law collected, or assumed; he shall employ two persons to ply with him the island boat, during the time a general quarentine is required; he shall communicate to the Health Office information of the arrival of vessels at the Island, as they occur; and of any event which may require the attendance of the Visiting Physician at the Island; shall carry supplies to vessels on quarentine, when delivered on board the boat; and shall be held to conform to all the directions of this Board, in all matters respecting quarentine.

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Sec. 2. In the absence of the Visiting Physician, the Island Keeper is charged with the police of the Island, agreeably to the laws and rules thereof. —

Article IX.

No person, not on quarantine, shall be allowed to visit Rainsford's Island, during the time of quarantine, without producing a permit from the Secretary of this Board, for which 25 cents shall be paid for each person, but no certificate shall be valid, unless presented within three days from the date.

By Order of the Board

Benjamin Russell President

Attest Greenough Secretary

April 30th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esqr President

Messrs Binney, Ellis, Boardman, Cooke, Walter — Sumner, Tucker, Lee, Chamberlain, Gore

Voted, That the subject of Burials & Burying Grounds referred the last Meeting to the next Monday evening be again reconsidered as to lay open for discussion —

The Committee on the subject of Burials, to whom was referred the same as taken in a new draft, which was read.

Voted, That the Report as now read be recommitted to the Committee to have the same printed, and that the Messengers deliver to the Members two copies as soon as completed.

April 30 1810 The Committee on the Scavenger's department Reported: They had contracted with Mr Jeremiah Bridge as Superintendent for the Eight Carts for the Season to commence the 1st of May & to End the first of November at Three Hundred and Thirty three dollars & 33 Cents per Cart. and that they had taken his Bond with Surety for the faithful performance of the Business. —

The Committee appointed to consider of the proper time for the Board to visit Rainsford's Island. Reported. Thursday the 1st May as the most convenient time

Voted, To accept the Report, and that the same committee be requested to make arrangements for the visit. —

Voted, That the Board invite the Collector of the Revenue, the Commander of Fort Independence, the Suit. Quarter-master General, and that Each Member invite a friend. —

Voted, That the Treasurer of the Board pay the bill of Mr. John Wells $5 50 Ordered to be paid at the last Meeting

Voted, That the President of the Board be requested to inform the Collector of the Revenue & the commander of Fort Independence of the Quarantine Ordered & He and that the Secretary be directed to Notify the Pilots of the same —

The Committee appointed to examine the Cellar and Passage back of Jon.a Harris's Store (near Congress Street;) Report in their opinion there ought to be a sufficient quantity of Gravel put into said Cellar, & Leveld at least 12 Inches in Depth. They are of opinion as the Street or Passage aforesaid belongs to the Town the Selectmen are the proper authority to take Charge of the Same.

Voted, The same committee attend to the removal of the Nuisance.

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Voted That Fresh Fish may be sold at the Boylston Market. although not kept over the salt water. but in all other respects the venders thereof shall be subject to the Internal Health Regulations of this Board, passed the 16 Instt.

Voted, That the Secretary cause the above vote to be published in the papers of the Board.

Committee on Cart. Mess. Sumner. Binney & Cook

Voted, That the Models & drafts of Cars sent to the Board in consequence of their advertisement be all delivered to a committee (Messrs Sumner, Binney & Cook) to Examine, consider of, and Report the best plan to adopt; with their opinion who ought to have the premium of 20 Dollars.

Voted, That the Board now proceed to the appointment of three superintendents for Burying Grounds &c.

Superintendt of Burying Grou &c —

Voted, That Mr Josiah Snelling be superintendent for the North Burying Ground & Christ Church Cemetery.

Voted, That Mr Caleb Loring, Junr. be superintendent for the Middle district.

Voted, That Mr John Butterfield be superintendent for the Southern district.

Voted, That the Secretary inform Messrs Snelling, Loring & Butterfield of their appointments, and request their answer before the next meeting of the Board.

Voted, That Messrs Binney, Ellis & Boardman be a committee to make Sale of the House now standing on the land lately purchased by the Town and appropriated for the purpose of a Burying Ground. and pay the money into the hands of the Treasurer of this Board for the use of Town.

Voted, That Capt Binney & Mr Ellis be a committee, by request of Mr Boardman) on the complaint of Mr Simpson

April 30th 1810 against Mr Boardman for causing his Waste water flowing on his premises. — in Richmond Street.

Voted. That Capt Binney be a Committee on the complaint of Nuisance in the Mill-pond —

Adjourned to Monday next

May 7th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benjamin Russell, Esq. President

Messrs Binney, Ellis, Boardman, Cook, Welter, Skinner, Tucker, Lee, Parsons, Gore

Voted That the Board proceed to the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Burials, Burying Grounds, &c by sections, which was read & amended.

Voted, That the Report be accepted as the permanent Regulations of the Board for Burials & Burying Grounds &c and that they be recommitted to the Committee to publish and to have printed and distributed for the Information of the Citizens ———

The Committee to whom was referred the Models and Drawings of Cars, had further time to report in, & to which committee the President & Mr Gore were added. —

The Committee on the complaint of Mr Isaac P. Simpson against Mr Boardman a Member of this Board, Report they have examined into the subject of complaint

May 7 1840 and find the premises, Yard &c of Mr Boardman in compleat and excellent Order.

Voted, to accept the report. and that the same be put on record.—

Capt Binney, Committee on the complaint of Nuisance in the Mill-pond Reported, he had examined the same, and had ordered a Notification to the Mill-pond Corporation to Continue the Common sewer from Stillman Street to the canel, to remove the Nuisance.

The Committee appointed on the subject of Night Cart wharves, having paid attention to that subject ask leave to report, That it is expedient to improve the same place at the Westerly part of the Town, that was used the last year for that purpose; That they are not yet able to procure any place convenient at the South part of the Town; and that it is expedient for the whole board to view the North part of the Town in to determine on the most Eligible place to be used in that part of the Town, as several places are contemplated, all which is submitted.

Voted; That the report be accepted, and that the Board meet on Monday next at Three o'Clock and Examine the whole of the North part of the Town.—

Voted; That Mr Parsons be added to the Committee (Messrs Waller & Sumner) on the complaint of waste water in Cellars of the Borderers on Tuckers Lane) who are requested to confer with the Selectmen, respecting that subject, and the contract of the Town with the Proprietors of the Mill-pond; and Report.—

May 7th 1110 Ordered, That the following Rules and Regulations for establishing the Police of the Burying-Grounds and Cemeteries, and for regulating the Burial of the Dead, within the town of Boston, have the force of law, on and after the first day of July next.

Article 1.

Police of the Burying-Grounds.

Sec. 1. To execute the Police of the Burying Grounds and Cemeteries, the following Superintendents shall be appointed, viz. For the North Burying ground and Christ Church Cemetery, One Superintendant. For the Granary and Chapel Burying-grounds, and the Chapel and Trinity Church Cemeteries, One Superintendant. — And, for the Central, (late Common) and the South Burying ground (on the east and west of Washington-street,) One Superintendant. And it shall be the duty of such Superintendants to keep the fences walls, and gates of their respective grounds and cemeteries in complete repair, and properly secured by locks and bolts; — To point out the place, depth and width of every grave to be dug therein; — To cause the the graves to be dug in exact ranges, parallel with, and as near to each other, as may be; — To cause the tombs opened in their respective cemeteries, between the first of July and the thirtieth of September, to be closed and pointed with lime within twenty-four hours after the deposit of bodies therein; and to direct the Wardens of the several churches to which cemeteries belong to cause at least three bushels of good stone lime to be strewed therein on the 1st. and 15th days of July, August & Septem-

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To record in a book to be kept for that purpose, the name, age and, —— sex of each person interred; the family to which the deceased be longed; the disease or cause of death; and whether citizen or stranger; the time when interred, the number of the grave, and the number of the range where buried, or the tomb where deposited.

Sec. 2. The Superintendant shall permit the family of any person hereafter buried in any grave in the ground under his care, to place horizontally on such grave, within twelve months after the burial of such person, a stone not less than four nor more than six feet long, and two feet wide, having the person's name and age, the No. of the grave, and the No. of the range, cut thereon; which fact being recorded by the Superintendant, such grave shall be reserved for the use of the same family for twenty years: And graves may be re-opened for members of the same family, provided the top of any coffin put therein be not within three feet of the surface of the ground. The bottom of the first coffin buried in a grave shall be at least eight feet from the surface of the ground.

Sec. 3. There shall be built, or procured, at the publick expense, one Public Vault in the North, one in the Chapel, one in the Granary, and one in the Central burying-grounds. Which Vaults shall be in the care of the Superintendant of the ground wherein erected;— and in which shall be deposited the bones of persons heretofore buried, whose families cannot be ascertained, and such other bones as families may wish to have removed thereto.

Sec. 4. Whenever it shall be necessary in order to complete the range of graves, to remove the remains of any person heretofore buried, and there are surviving members

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of the same family resident in the town or vicinity; such remenains shall be carefully deposited at the bottom of a new grave, previous to placing any coffin therein, or removed to the **Public Vault**, at the request and at the expense of such surviving friends: — And if there be any Monumental Stone over such Remains, it may be placed horizontally over the new grave; unless the family of the person commemorated shall prefer placing a new one thereon, in manner and form before prescribed. — A new range of graves shall not be commenced until the preceding range is wholly taken up by the deposit of Relicks in each grave.

Sec. 5. The Superintendants shall severally, on the Monday of each week, make a return to the Health Office of the persons interred in the Grounds and Cemeteries in their care; which return shall comprise a copy of all the particulars required to be recorded by the first section of these regulations; that from such returns this Board, from time to time, may publish Bills of Mortality for the town.

Article 11. Funeral Cars.

Sec. 1. There shall be built at the public expense, three **Funeral Cars**, so constructed that the corpse conveyed thereon shall be safe from injury, and so decorated as to be **solemnly impressive** to the living and respectful to the dead. One **Car** to be placed in the care of each Superintendant, and deposited for safe keeping in places to be provided therefor. It shall be the duty of the Superintendants to keep them clean

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and in good repair; and only permit Funeral Undertakers licensed by this Board, to use the same on the payment of the fee established by these regulations. The Superintendants to account monthly to the Treasurer of this Board for such fees.

Article III. Funeral Undertakers

Sec. 1 A number of Funeral Undertakers, not exceeding twelve, shall be appointed and licensed by this Board; who shall be responsible for the decent, orderly and faithful management of the Funerals undertaken by them; and for a strict compliance with these regulations. Each Undertaker may employ sober and discreet persons to assist him, and shall be accountable to this Board for their conduct.

Article IV. Funerals, &c.

Sec. 1. All Funerals shall be in the day time, between sunrising and sunsetting, excepting when contagious or malignant diseases prevail, or when otherwise ordered by this Board; and shall pass through or into at least one principal street. There shall be but one bell tolled at any funeral; which bell shall be tolled no longer than one hour, and no oftener than two strokes in a minute. The corpse of every person Over ten years of age, shall be conveyed to the grave or tomb in a Funeral Car. to be drawn by not more than two horses; and after the first day of July. Females (excepting the immediate relatives of the deceased) are not to Walk in any funeral procession. — Provided however, that on extraordinary occasions, permission may be obtained of this Board, on regular application, to dispense with any rules contained in this article.

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Sec. 2. The Superintendents of the North and South burying grounds shall designate suitable squares in their several grounds for the burial of people of colour, and the corpse of such persons may be carried to the grave on men's shoulders as heretofore. And no female shall walk in any funeral procession, except the Mother, Wife, or daughters of the deceased. The funerals of people of colour shall be strictly conformable to these regulations in every other respect.

Article V. Penalties.

Sec. 1. If a superintendant shall violate any or either of these regulations, he shall, on conviction, forfeit and pay a fine of Thirty dollars. If an Undertaker shall violate any or either of these regulations, he shall on conviction forfeit and pay a fine of Twenty dollars; and if any other person or persons shall violate or transgress them, he or they shall, on conviction, forfeit and pay a fine of Fifty dollars. One moiety of which fines shall be to the use of the person or persons who shall prosecute therefor, and the other moiety to the Treasurer of this Board, for the use of the town of Boston.

Sec. 2. The Superintendents, Funeral Undertakers and Porters shall at all times be removable at the pleasure of this Board.

Article VI. Fees, &c

Sec. 1. There shall be collected and paid for services in the execution of these regulations, the following fees. viz.

Fees to Superintendents. For each grave dug in the grounds or cemetaries under their care, One Dollar. For each tomb opened, fifty cents. For each record of

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persons buried or entombed, twenty five cents.

For the privilege of using the Funeral Car two dollars.

The fees for opening graves and tombs to be collected from the families of the persons interred; and in cases of inability to pay, to be allowed by the towns, as in cases of other towns poor.

The recording fees to be paid quarterly by warrant on the town Treasurer.

Fees to the Undertakers. For digging a grave eight feet deep, and covering the same Two dollars: for one six feet six inches deep One dollar and fifty cents: for one five feet deep One dollar and twenty-five cents: and for four feet deep One dollar. For opening and closing a tomb. Seventy-five cents. For service at the house of a person deceased, in collecting and returning chairs, and other attendance, One dollar. For every family notified by request, five cents. For tolling Bell, fifty cents. For placing a corpse in coffin, when requested, One dollar. For the use of one horse in the car, One dollar: for two horses, Seventy-five cents each. For carrying a corpse from the house to the car, and from the car to the grave or tomb, including the assistance of funeral Porters, and the leader or leaders of the funeral car Three dollars. For each hackney coach used at a funeral the charge shall be two dollars.

Sec. 2. When a corpse is carried into church the Funeral Undertaker may make an additional charge of two dollars; and whenever the ground shall be frozen, the charge for digging graves may be augmented at the discretion of this Board.

Article VII. Burying Grounds

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Sec. 1. After the first day of July next, the Old part of the North burying ground (except for the interment of people of colour) and the whole of the Central burying ground, shall be closed, and continue closed for ten years, excepting for the purpose of opening or erecting tombs therein.

Sec. 2. From and after the first day of July next, the New ground of the North burying ground, the Chapel, Granary and South burying grounds shall be opened for the purpose of digging graves, agreeably to these regulations.

Sec 3 On application to this Board persons may be licensed to build tombs in the North, Chapel, Granary, Central, and South burying grounds, on condition the tombs be built under the direction of the Superintendants; that against each tomb the proprietor thereof shall erect a substantial brick wall at least six feet high from the top of the arch of the tomb, and at the joint expense of all the proprietors shall sink good and sufficient stone or brick drains to carry off the water from the tombs..

conditions on which Tombs may be built —

Adjourned to Monday next

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At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Mess.rs Binney	Sumner
Ellis	Tucker
Boardman	Parsons
Cook	Chamberlain
Walter	Fox

The Committee on the Complaint of the Borderers on Tuckers Lane report that they have seen the Select men who have furnished your Committee with

May 14th 1810 a Copy of the Agreement with the Mill pond Proprietors and they further state that as soon as the Pond is filled up to Sooches Land, they will order a Common Sewer from thence thro South Margin Street to the Lane where the common sewer now is and the Board of Health can then enter the sewer at the Bottom of Sucker Street as they think best and that it is the opinion of the Selectmen that whenever the Cartmen employed in filling up the Pond should at any time stop up the passage of any Waters the Board of Health should immediately after notice given to the Mill Corporation & their neglect proceed to remove the same & bring suit immediately afterwards all which is submitted

The Committee to whom was referred the Regulations for Burials & Burying grounds to have them published & printed for the information of the Citizens, Report they have attended that business and have contracted for the printing five thousand Copies of the same and have directed the publishment of them in the papers employed by the Board.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Funeral Cars, Begleave to report, that they have examined all the plans & Drawings sent to the Board agreeably to their advertisment of the 14th April last offering a premium of Twenty Dollars for the Drawing or Model of the Funeral Car which shall be adopted by the Board. And upon mature consideration are of opinion that the plan or Drawing Signed "Edwards & Georges" is the best and recommend that three Cars conformable to that plan should be built immediately for the use of the Town; And that the premium of Twenty Dollars be paid by the Treasurer to Messrs Edwards & Georges for their drawing.

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Voted, That the Report of the Committee be accepted, and the Treasurer pay Messrs Edwards & St Georges the Twenty dollars as above recommended for their Drawing of the Car. And

Committee to superintend the building of the Car.

That the Committee that made this Report viz. Messrs Sumner, Binney, Cook, Major Russell & Mr Gore be a Committee to superintend the building of the same. ——

Voted, That an advertisement be inserted in the papers employ'd by this Board, giving notice that permission may be obtained on application to this Board for erecting new tombs in the North Granery & South burying grounds conformably to the new Regulations.

Voted, That the several Superintendant Committees be authorized to contract for the purchase or building a public Vault in each of the burying Districts ——

Voted, That the Superintendants of the burying grounds be authorized to proceed immediately in making improvements in the burying grounds under their care; under the direction of at least two Members of this Board ——

The Committee appointed the 30th ultimo to make sale of the Old house standing on the land appropriated for the North burying ground, have attended to the duty (as) signed them and Report. —— That said House was advertised in two papers to be sold by auction on Saturday last — which was accordingly sold to Jonathan Merrey for Twenty four Dollars, he being the highest bidder, and condition of the sale was the Cash should be paid down to the Treasurer of this Board, and that the House should be removed within Ten days.

The following accounts having been passed by the Committee on Accounts. viz Amasa Murdock & William Jennings for,

May 14th 1810 making four Carts Each for the Towns use at forty Eight Dollars each Cart. Abraham Ingersoll bill for cleaning the Methodist Chapel after the choice of Member for the Board April 4th two Dollars. Bob Hallets bill for opening & attending Baptist Meeting House for Choice of Member of Board, Hall. One dollar $\frac{25}{100}$. Taken to gather Three Hundred & Eighty Seven Dollars $\frac{25}{100}$.

Adjourned to Thursday next, then to Meet at this Office at 2 O'clock A.M.

Agreeably to the above Vote, the President this Day drew on the Town Treasurer In favour of Amasa Murdock for One Hundred and Ninety two Dollars. In favour of William Jennings for One Hundred & Ninety two Dollars. in favour of Abraham Ingersoll two dollars. in favour of Bob Hallet for One Dollar $\frac{25}{100}$. Making to gather Three Hundred & Eighty Seven Dollars 25 Cents.

May 17th 1810 Agreeably to adjournment the Board Met this day at 2 O'Clock A.M.

Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Ellis	Fletcher
Boardman	Lee
Cook	Parsons
Wetter	Chamberlain
Summer	Gore

Who with Col^o T. F. Boyd Asst. Doctor Foster, Quarter-Master General Davis, Rev^d Horace Holley, Lieu^t Crane of the Chesapeak Frigate; with a number of other invited guests as per Memorandum on file proceeded to the Packet at India Street, and embarked for Rainsford Island; Having arrived there and a Board Convened.

May 9th 1810 Voted; That the Police of the Island last year and a-
now read, be adopted the present year — viz.
To promote order and decorum on Rainsford Island
during the time a quarantine is required thereat,
Ordered, That the Police of Rainsford Island,
during the time of Quarantine, be and hereby is investe
in the Visiting Physician, Island-Keeper and
such other officer as this Board may appoint. —
and they are hereby authorized and directed in case of
violation of the police of the Island or any indecorous con-
duct, or abusive language against this Board or its
Officers, committed or uttered by any Master, Officer,
Seaman or passenger of a Vessel, or by any person visiting
or permitted to visit said Island, to order the person so
offending, if a Master, Officer, Seamen or passenger,
to repair immediately on board the Vessel to which he
belongs, there to remain until discharged; and if a
Visiter, or person permitted to visit the Island, then to depa
rt from said Island; or otherwise as the case may
require: And that the Visiting Physician be directed
to make immediate report of any person offending as
above to the Committee for the Week. —
Ordered, The following be added to the preceding Regula-
tions. That a Pilot after having anchored a Vessel on
her proper Quarantine Station shall not be permitted
to go on board such Vessel during her term of quarantine
but shall be allowed to visit the Island to obtain infor-
mation of her Discharge.
The Visiting Physician made report of the direction he has
given to the Pilots for the anchoring of Vessels on Quarantine
Ground.

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Voted, That the Board Sanction the Circular of the Visiting Physician to the Pilots.

Mr Spear Reported that the furniture of the Island reported last year was still on Hand, that nothing was wanting except 2 doz Tumblers One large & Eight small flags and a Cable for the Boat.

Voted, That Messrs Cook & Sumner be a Committee to consider and examine the account of Mr Spear's Expenses of the Boat and report next Monday.

The Board having perambulated the Island.

Voted, That the Limits Marked out the last year and designated by the line of poles established as the Boundaries for the Division of the current year: and that no Visitor be permitted to pass within the poles on which the small red flags are placed.

Ord. directed the following Letter to be delivered to the Commander of each Vessel on Quarantine agreeably to the Report of the Committee of Quarantine of the 23 April last

No. **Health-Office**

Boston

To Master of the

called the of

entering the harbour of Boston, from Her Officers, Crew and Passengers, and to every person on board said Vessel.

Whereas by a **Law of this Commonwealth**, entitled "An Act to empower the town of Boston to choose a Board of Health, and for removing and preventing of Nuisances, passed the 20th June 1799, the Board of Health for the town of Boston, are empowered, whenever and as often as they deem it necessary for the safety of the town, to cause vessels arriving within the-

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harbour of Boston, to perform Quarantine under such restrictions, regulations and qualifications as they may judge expedient.

You and each of you, are therefore, hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth, immediately to proceed with your vessel to anchor near Rainsford's Island, (within the outer harbour of Boston) and there perform quarantine and be purified, together with your cargo, clothes, bed bedding, and every, other matter and thing on board your vessel, under and agreeably to the directions of the Visiting Physician of this Board:..... And duly to observe the following regulations:

The Red Flag, which you will receive from the Visiting Physician or Island-Keeper, you are immediately to hoist at the head of the mainmast of your vessel, where it is to be kept during the time you are performing quarantine.

You are not to go out of your vessel, nor suffer any letter, packet, paper or other thing of any kind or nature whatever, to be taken out, except to be landed on said Island for the purpose of purification, and even then not without permission of either the Visiting Physician, or Keeper of said Island.

You are not to suffer any person to come on board your vessel on any pretence whatever (except those employed by or under this board)..... and in case any person should come on board, you are to detain him or her until he or she have permission to go on shore by the Visiting Physician. Should the Visiting Physician permit any of you to go on shore at Rainsford's Island, you are not on any pretence whatever, to go without the limits of the line designated on

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said Island by the Board, or those that may be made by said Physician. ——

You are not to permit any person belonging to your vessel, or any passenger, to remain on the Island after Eight o'Clock, in the evening, unless by permission of the Visiting Physician; and you are to cause your Boat or Boats to be hoisted in on deck, or be hauled up to the vessels davets at Eight o'Clock, every evening, and there continue until sunrise the next morning.

You are to continue at anchor near Rainsford's Island, until you obtain a Certificate from the Visiting Physician, that you, your vessel, and the contents, may come up to town with safety to the inhabitants; which Certificate with the Red Flag, you are to leave at the Health-Office, within Twenty four hours after, and receive a counter one, directed to the Collector for the Port of Boston and Charlestown.

In case you wish at any time, the keeper of the Island to come on board you will hoist your Ensign or Jack in the shrouds.

You, the Master, are accountable for every person, who arrived in your vessel, in any port of the United States; and you cannot be discharged from Quarantine without a muster of the whole of them, unless previously discharged by order of this Board.

You are herewith furnished with the Laws of Quarantine, in order that you may not plead ignorance of your duty, and while the Board of Health on the one hand feel an assurance of your punctual compliance therewith; they think it incumbent on them to observe, that they will cause the same to be carried into effect

with

May 1st 1810 the most rigid exactness, and prosecute all those who may transgress in any manner whatever.

By the Board of Health

Mest Nath Greenough Sec'ry

Benj^n Russell, President.

Adjourned to Monday next 4. O'Clock
When to meet at the Health Office
Boston

May 21st 1810

At a Meeting of the Board of Health, this Day,
Present Benjamin Russell, Esq President.

Mess^r Boardman, Cook, Walter
Summer, Lee, Chamberlain

The Committee on the Funeral Cars report they were progressing in the business

Voted, That three Separate Committees be appointed to advise and direct the Superintendants in the business of the Burying Grounds:—

Committees for Burying Grounds viz^t Capt Bunney & Mr Ellis for North District — For Middle Mess^r Tucker & Walter — For South Mess^r Lee & Chamberlain

Voted, That Capt Bunney & Mr Ellis be a Committee for the North District. For the Middle District Mess^r Tucker and Walter. for the South, Mess^r Lee & Chamberlain

Voted, That the Superintending Committee be directed to take into consideration the Subject of the Burial of Children under ten years of age and report thereon

Voted, That Major Lee be a Committee to provide the Articles Necessary for the Boat & Island as mentioned by Mr Spear at the Meeting of the Board when at the Island

The Committee to whom was referred the Island Keepers Bill for repairing the Boats of the Island have attended that business and ask leave to Report. That his

May 21st bill Dated May 21st 1810 for Sixteen dollars in their opinion is reasonable and ought to be allow'd & paid him.

Voted to accept the report of the committee, and that the bill be paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer.

Voted, That the President & Mr Summer be a committee to report in what manner the Superintendants shall discharge that part of his Duty which requires of him to ascertain the cause of Death of persons interid in the Burying grounds & Cemeteries, and report.

Voted, That Mr Chamberlain be a committee on the Complaint of S. Sayles of Nuisance from Estate in Bromfield's Lane belonging to Liba Crosby.

Voted That Mr Walter with Mr Summer be a committee on the Nuisance in Deffill House square & Estates in Tuckers Lane

Voted, That the Treasurer & Secretary of this Board be directed to Receive no Money in payment of fees & Accounts but specia & the Notes of the Banks in this town

Voted That Messrs Boardman & Cook be a Committee to ascertain the best method to prevent the waste water flowing from Estates into Back Street above ground.

Voted That Monday Next 5 o'Clock be assigned for the choice of Undertakers for funerals.

The Committe appointed at the Meeting of the 7th April last to ascertain what Money it will be necessary for the Town to raise for the use of the Board the ensuing year; informed the Board and Notified by letter the Auditors of the Town Accounts, That it would be Necessary for the Town to raise Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars for the Expenses of the Board the current year.

6,500 $

To be raised

May 21st 1810 Voted That the Visiting Physician be authorized to discharge all Vessels carrier to Rumford Island for the purpose of performing quarantine, from the Cape de Verd Islands provided such Vessels are laden wholly with Salt, or other articles incapable of receiving or conveying infection — on paying the Sum of five dollars each — any thing in the quarantine regulations to the contrary not withstanding

Adjourned to Monday Next

May 28th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq. President —

Mess. Binney, Ellis, Boardman, Cook, Walter } { Sumner, Tucker, Lee, Chamberlain, Jarc —

The Committee on Cars Reported progress — and further time was allowed them.

The Committee (Major Lee) to procure Sundry Articles for the Boat & Island Reported he had left Orders with Cabt N. Thayer to deliver the Articles in his line viz. Flags & Cordage

The Committee on Nuisance in Cellars, Distill House Sewers Reported progress —

The Committee on the Complaint of Waste water in back street, have attended to that duty. and ask leave to Report. They find Mr Boynton has a privat Drain which passes Mr John Rice's House, and their opinion is he can Enter the Drain with a small expense, and have sent him a

May 21 1810 Notification to convey his waste water under ground.

William Alexander has agreed to sink a reservoir so that shall prevent the Water running into the Street. Mr Howard has sunk a reservoir that will answer for the present.

The Committee appointed to attend the Town Meeting reported that they had attended the Meeting: that Meeting was adjourned for three Weeks. —

Voted, That it be recommended, that the Board attend at the adjournment

Voted, That the Subject of persons leaving at out ports, Vessels subject to Quarantine be committed to the Committee on Quarantine. Messr Lee, Sumner & Ellis

Committee on

Voted, that the Funeral Cars be directed to take Cognizance of the necessary harness for the Cars. —

Voted, that Capt Binney & Mr Sohe be a Committee to advise Mr Phineas Withington respecting his bill for Removing Nuisance from the Estate of Colo Thos Cushing Boardfield Lane

Voted that the Complaint against Night Cart men be be referred to Messrs Sohe & Boardman to report at the next Meeting. —

The Committee on the Burial of Children under ten years of age Reported which report was read. —

Voted, That the Report be recommitted to the Committee to report again at the Next Meeting. —

Ordered, That a Notice be sent to Mr William Sayer of Passengers in the Brigt Superb from the Havanna requiring him to proceede immediately to perform Quarantine at Rainsford's Island. And a Notice also be sent to Messrs Allen Hayes & Obadiah Edwards them to send out the said Sayer

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and to induce him to perform the above order as this Board will not discharge the said Vessell untill the performance of said order and that the Visiting Physician be requested to inform this Board the Day & Hour of said Sayer's arrival at Quarentine in writing ——

And that the Visiting Physician be ordered to keep the Vessell for Quarantine 72 Hours after he shall be on Board, unless otherwise Directed by the Committee for the Week ——

Funeral Undertaker appointed

Voted, That the following Persons be Undertakers for funerals viz. James Hutchinson, John F. Newton. Levi Woodridge. Teal Skidmore, Ebn.r Clayton, Samuel Winslow, Allen Lauchlen. Caleb B. Munroe. Comfort Clayton. Nath.l Bell, Tyler Hero. David S. Clayton.

D.S Clayton having Removed from Town John Love was appointed in his Room at the Meeting 18th Inst.o

Voted, That the Secretary Inform the Undertaker as now Named of their Appointment and request their answer as soon as may be That the Secretary may publish their Names

Voted, That Capt.n Binney be a Committee to draft a form for License of funereal undertakers. ——

Voted, That Mar.l Lee & Mr. Sumner, with Mr. Chamberlain be a Committee on the Complaint of Nuisance in Jackson Hill House at the bottom of Rainsford Lane.

Voted That the President be a Committee to be certain Whether there is a Vacancy in the Board

Adjourned to Saturday Next 4 O'Clock P.M. ——

June 2. 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Mr Lynde Walter President pro tem

Mr Binney, Ellis, Boardman } { Cook, Chamberlain, Fox

On application of Mr Moses Green. That Mrs Forbain & Daughter passengers on Board the Schooner Vulcan on Quarantine, might be permitted to come up to town.

Voted, That Mr Green be furnished with a Copy of the quarantine regulations, and informed that the Board cannot dispense with them in the present case. The Visiting Physician not having visited the Vessel

Voted, That the Committee on Nuisance in Still House Square have further time to report in —

Voted, That the Committee on the Carts & Barnels have further time.

Voted. That the Committee respecting persons leaving Vessels at out ports subject to Quarantine have further time.

The Committee on the complaint of Night Cart. men Reported that had call'd Joseph Saunders before them and had given him Orders not to do any more Night Work till his Carts are in good Order, and not then without a special permit from some Member of the Board

The Committee appointed to draft a form of License for funeral Undertakers. Reported the following with the Obligation for them to Sign. Which was read and accepted and Ordered to be put on Record. — viz —

No

Health Office, Boston June, 1810

To

You being appointed a Funeral Undertaker

June 2d 1810 for the Town of Boston:—

By virtue of the authority, vested in the Board of Health I hereby License you to that office:

You are therefore carefully, respectfully, and decently to discharge the duty of a Funeral Undertaker within said town, according to the Rules & Regulations enacted by the Board of Health for establishing the police of the burying grounds, and for regulating Funerals & Funeral Processions:— And you are to observe and follow such orders and instructions as you shall from time to time receive from the Superintendents of the burying grounds, or from the Board of Health.

By Order of the Board

President

Attest Nath. Dearborn Sec'ry

Obligation.

We the subscribers having been appointed, and duly licensed by the Board of Health as Funeral Undertakers for the Town of Boston,

Funeral Undertakers

Do hereby severally promise, agree and bind ourselves in the discharge of the duties of that office agreeably to the Rules and Regulations enacted by the Board of Health for establishing the police of the burying grounds and for regulating Funerals & Funeral Processions.

Always holding ourselves liable to the forfeitures therein provided for any violation thereof.

In witness whereof We the have hereunto set our Hand, at the Office of the Board of Health Boston

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No. 1. James Hutchinson,
" 2. Nath[l] E. Bell,
" 3. Teal Skidmore,
" 4. Ebenezer Clapslin,
" 5. Comfort Clapslin,
" 6. Caleb B. Munroe,
No. 7. Levi Goodridge,
" 8. Samuel Mendlow,
" 9.
" 10. Jesse Mero,
" 11.
" 12. John Low — chosen 11th Curtis

Voted, That the Committee of the North Burying ground have further time to report respecting the burial of Children under ten years of age.—

Voted, That the Secretary give Notice in the Papers employed by the Board, That the Board of Health will on Monday next, the 11th June, at 5. O'Clock P.M. proceed to appoint One Funeral Undertaker for the town of Boston; & any person wishing the appointment must make Application in writing on or before the 10th Instant, at the Office of the Board of Health.

Voted, That the Committee on the Complaint of Hickson's Mill House have further time.—

Voted, The Committee to ascertain if there is a Vacancy in the Board have further time.

Voted, That the Committee for the ensuing week Make inquiry Respecting the Scavengers' conduct at the North part of the town That they send for Mr Ellis, and any other person complaining.

Voted, That when this Board adjourn they adjourn to Monday Next 4. O Clock P.M.

Adjourned accordingly

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At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day. Present Benjamin Russell Esq. President

Messrs Binney, Ellis, Boardman } { Cook, Sumner, Chamberlain

The Committee on Nuisance in Still House square reported Progress, and had further time.

The Committee on Carts &c Reported progress, and had further time.

Mr Sec Sumner & Ellis

The Committee to take into Consideration the subject of persons leaving Vessels at our ports subject to quarantine had further time.

The Committee's Report for Burial of Children

The Committee for the North Burying ground &c Report. The Superintendant of the North Burying ground shall appropriate one or more ranges. for the deposit of the corpses of the children under ten years of age. whose families have no tomb & have not taken up a family grave. The range to commence at the South-East corner of the old ground and run parrallel with the tombs on the East side of said old ground.

The graves of such children shall be dug at least four feet deep, and the corpse so buried may be removed to a tomb or family grave at the expence of the relation after permission is obtained of the Superintendant. —

Superintendant's fees for Children Graves 50 Cents

The Superintendants fee for graves for children under ten years of age shall be fifty cents Each. and the undertakers fee for such children shall be for the grave Seventy five Cents. —

Voted, That the Complaint of Mr Eliot, of Nuisance in Prince Street; be committed to Messrs Boardman, Binney & Ellis

Voted, That the Application of Henry R. Stevens on Black man

June 11th 1810. to be appointed Undertaker of funerals of people of Colour be referred to Capt Rhinney to report on, at the Next Meeting

John Law appointed Undertaker

Voted, That John Low be appointed a funeral Undertaker in the room of David Clapton gone from Town. That the Secretary Notify him of his appointment take the Necessary Obligation from and give him a License. —

Voted, That a Draft be given by the President in favor of Jeremiah Bridge on the Town Treasurer for Five hundred dollars he to be accountable to the Board for the same

Adjourn'd to Monday Next.

Draft

Agreeably to the above Vote, The President this day drew on the Town Treasurer in favour of Jeremiah Bridge for Five Hundred Dollars, he to be accountable to the Board for the same and in favour of Thomas Spear for Sixteen dollars agreeably to vote of 21st May for payment of his bill for repairs of Island boat —— Making together five Hundred & Sixteen dollars.

June 18th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Mess Rhinney, Ellis, Boardman } Walter, Lee, Tucker & Whitman

Voted, That the Treasurer of the Board purchase a Map of the World for the use of the Town — to be kept in this Office

Voted, That the Committee on the Nuisance in Still House square have further time. —

The Committee on Mrs Leeno's Complaint, Report they have attended to the business assigned them & that the Nuisance is Removed Voted, to accept the Report. — of the Committee

June 15th 1810 The Committee on the subject of an additional Undertaker for the burial of the blacks within the town Report, That notwithstanding there are already as many Funeral undertakers as the late Regulations authorize, In the Opinion of your committee it is necessary to appoint an undertaker of Funerals, of the people of Colour to be under the same restriction & Regulations as the other undertakers Except as it respects burying Corpes on the funeral Car —

Additional Regulations respect'g Police of Burial Grounds

Additional Funeral Regulation

Voted. That the 3d Article of Rules and Regulations for establishing the Police of the Burying grounds &c be so far repealed, That the number of Funeral Undertakers shall not exceed fourteen, one of which shall be an undertaker of funerals of the people of colour. —

Voted, That Messr Walter & Binney be a committee to report a Regulation respecting repairs of Tombs —

Voted That the Treasurer of the Board be authorized to pay Mr Thos Spear Thirty Dollars per Month for the Boatmen out of the Money received for Quarantine fees —

Voted, That the Subject matter of the complaint in Wards N° 8 & 9 be committed to Messrs Tucker & Lee. —

Voted, That Capt Binney with Mr Boardman be a committee to examine the Nuisance complained of in the vicinity of the Millponds —

Voted, That the Members from Wards N° 9 & 10 be a committee to attend to the Nuisance in Franklin place and Report

Voted, That Henry R. Stevenson a Black man Applicant for the Appointment of Funeral Undertaker for the people of Colour, be directed to attend the Board at their next meeting —

June 18th The Messages was directed to inform Nehimiah Brigham Appli-
cation for the appointment of Undertaker of funerals, to attend
the Meeting of the Board Next Monday ——
The Committee of the Middle district Burying Ground
Report. That having taken a carefull Inspection of the
two Burying Grounds immediately under their Care they
find that it will be necessary to repair the Wall of the Chap-
ell burying Ground at the South West Corner & a new Gate
on Tremont Street. The publick Vault for Relicks will
be best placed at the North East Corner of the Ground,
They have directed the Superintendant to contract for
same immediately and have ordered the Ranges to be com-
menced at the North East Corner running Southerly
on that line towards the Chapel Church. ——
On the Granary burying Ground, they find it quite in
good order. and that it will be well to reserve the Nor-
th East line of the Ground for Tombs. — That it will
be proper to direct that all owners of Tombs have
their owners Names Marked distinctly on each
That the most proper place for a public Vault be
at the North West Corner of the Ground and they have
directed the Range of New Graves to commence on the
South East Corner of the Ground: Commencing at the
Park Street Church going Northerly to the Gate and return-
ing in same order without distinction of age or sex. —
They would recommend that two Wicker Baskets be pur-
chased for each Superintendant & kept under his Care
for the purpose of transporting the Bones &c to the public
Vault with Decency — They would propose the same

June 18th 1810 Regulation with respect to Interment of Children &c was
has been reported by the Committee of the North District.-
all which is submitted

Benjamen Whitman Esq. having been duly returned as
Member by the Clerk of Ward No 10 agreeably to the War-
rent Issued by the President for that purpose. took his seat
at the Board in Order

Adjourned to Monday next

June 25 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day
Present George S. Lee Esqr President Pro Tem.

Mssr Ellis, Boardman, Walter, Sumner
Tucker, Whitman, Chamberlain, Gore

The Committee on the Drains in Still House Square
Report progress. and further time was granted them

Interment in Burying Grounds Forbidden

The Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the
Middle District Committee of Burying Grounds &c

Having examined that report and the orders necessary
to pass this Board in consequence, beg leave to report.
That an Order of Notice be given to the Owners of Tombs
within the Town by public Advertisement in the papers
employed by this Board, to cause the same to be forthwith
repaired and made decent, under the Inspection of the
several Superintendants and that the Names of the proper
Owners, Ancestors or the Number be retraced on the Tops Stone
no where it is obliterated or defaced. and in Cases where
there are no Names. or Numbers on the Tombs. That such

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Name Number or other designating Mark whereby the same may be publickly known & disignated be forthwith cut on the same, or this Board will in thirty Days from the 1st July next cause the same to be performed & the Expense be recovered of the Owners. or any one of them neglecting so to do —

That the Messenger of this Board shall procure three wicker Baskets at the Expense of the town, One for each of the Superintendents & placed under his Care, who shall be accountable for the same. —

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee —

The Committee on the Nuisance in Wards N°8. & 9 Report the business is progressing —

The Committee on the Nuisance in the Vicinity of Back Street & Mill-pond Reported progress. and had further time

Voted, That Messrs Waller & Binney be a Committee to devise the best method of Keeping the records of the Interments in the different Grounds & Superintendents returns of Burials in this Office —

Henry R Stephenson permitted to undertake —

Voted, That Henry R. Stephenson (a Black Man) be appointed a funeral Undertaker for people of Colour. to be under the same restrictions & Regulations as other undertakers Except as it respects burying Corpes on the funeral Cars. —

Voted, That when this Board adjourns they adjourn to Thursday Next 4. O'Clock P.M. —

Adjourned accordingly to Thursday Next 4. O'Clock

Thursday June 28th 1810

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day Benjamin Russell Esq.r President

Mess.rs Binney, Ellis, Boardman, Cook } Walter & Tucker, Sumner, Chamberlain, Whitmarsh sore

The Committee on Hill House Square Drains reported progress, and had further time. —

Frothingham appointed Funeral Undertaker

Voted, That Nath.l Head Frothingham be appointed a Funeral Undertaker and that he be Licensed accordingly. —

The Committee appointed to examine the situation of the distillery belonging to the estate of the late Henry Jackson dec.d, have attended that duty & report, that the covering planks of the cisterns are entirely rotten & in most places broken thro' & all the cisterns full of putred matter, — That the well is entirely open — That the whole is in a most dangerous state not only as respects the health but the limbs & lives of the citizens; It is their opinion that the cisterns should be immediately recovered with strong plank and at least 6 inches of good earth in depth be put over them, or that they be emptied and entirely filled up with clean Earth, and that the well be properly secured. —

George & Lee & Crosby

Voted, to accept the Report of the Committee and that the member of the Ward carry the same into effect —

Voted, That the Treasurer of this Board be authorized to pay to the officers of this Board any unappropriated Monies in his hands, other than Assessments in such proportion as he may think proper, —

Voted, That Ezekiel Sampson's bill for building a public vault for the town as per Contract for One Hundred and

thirty five Dollars as this Day presented and passed to be allowed and that a Draft be given by the President for the Amount on the Town Treasurer —

Voted, That a Draft be given Mr Josiah Smilling Superintendant of North Burying grounds be on the Town Treasurer for thirty dollars, for Sundry repairs, he to be accountable to the Board —

The above mentioned Draft was not made in favour of Mr Snelling altho afterwards passed & still is over due and the Draft on the Town treasurer 30th July 1810

Voted, That Capt Binney have leave of absence for four Weeks

The Committee on the Complaint in Wards. 8. 9 & 10 for further time —

The Committee on the Nuisance in Mill pond near the Rev Doct Baldwin's Meeting House had further time

The Committee to Report the best Method of Keeping the Records of Tombs in the different burying grounds, and Superintendants returns of Burials, in this Office. had further time to Report —

Voted, That the Towne Advocate be employd to defend any members of this Board that are, or may be Prosecuted for Military fines

Voted That this Board grant the request of the Selectmen, The use of this Office to them the fourth of July —

The following was Voted and Ordered to be published —

In Board of Health. Boston June 28 1810

Whereas the Rules and Regulations of this Board, establishing the Police of the Burying Grounds, and for other purposes, will have the force of Law on and after the first day of July ensuing: And whereas it has been found expedient to repeal and suspend a part of the same.

Ordered, that so much of the 4th Article of said Regulations, as is contained in the following words viz:

"And after the first day of July, Females (except the

Thursday June 28th 1810 — immediate relations of the deceased) are not to walk in any funeral procession" "And no female shall —— walk in such funeral procession, excepting the Mother, Wife or daughter of the deceased" — be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordered, That the part of the Regulations aforesaid, as respects the burial of the dead in Funeral Cars, be dispensed with until the said Cars are fit for use — under the direction of the President of this Board; who will direct the several Superintendents accordingly. ——

Ordered, That the Secretary of this Board cause the names and places of residence of the several Superintendants, and undertakers of Funerals, to be published in the papers employed by this Board.

Voted, That the Drafts of this Board on the Town Treasurer in future be given the last Monday of each Month

Adjourned to Monday Next

July 9th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day, Present Mr Jeremiah Nore Junr President P.T.

Boardman, Cook — Walter, Tucker, Whitman

The Committee on the drains in distill House Square report Progress, and further time was granted them,

The Committee on the Nuisance near Doctor Baldwins Meeting House Reported progress, and had further time,

The Committee to report the Method of keeping the Records of Burials &c, Reported, which report was read,

July 9 1810 And after some Conversation was so committed with the Superintendants Reports for further consideration to the same Committee —

Adjourned to Monday next.

July 16th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health, this Day

Present Benjamin Rusell, Esq.r President.

Mess.r Ellis,
Cook,
Waller,
Lee
Whitman
Chamberlain.

The Committee on the Drains in Little House square Reported in part. Voted, That the Committee have further time.

The Committee on the Nuisance in Mile Lane near Doct.r Baldwins Meeting-House not being present had further time —

Voted, That the 3.d Article of the Rules & Regulations for establishing the Police of Burying grounds & the Burial of the dead be so far further amended That Patrick Scholley, be appointed a Funeral Undertaker for the Society of Roman Catholicks alone. And that he be Licensed for that purpose, subject to the same Regulations & Orders as the other Undertakers appointed by this Board —

Patrick Scollay appointed Undertaker for the Roman Catholicks —

The Committee, to whom was referred the Books proper to be kept by this Board in aid of the Funeral Regulations, beg leave to report, that one large folio Volume of three Quires ruled in the Manner by this sheet proposed, be bought & kept in this Office in which the reports of the several Superintendants

July 15th 1810 for the part Work be entered & recorded as they are rec'd by the Secretary, after having been examined by the Committee who are in aid of the Superintendants, and that each Superintendant Keep a Book to enter the several Burials as they occur which Books are to be provided by this Board, and delivered over to this Board at the End of their term of service by each Superintendant, from which Book each Superintendant shall correctly & with precision make out the Weekly Returns ordered, and it will be advisable if not done already that a Committee be raised to wait on the Selectmen & to ask them for such Plans & Records of Tombs &c as they have in keeping for the use of this Board & to be deposited in this Office.—

Voted, That the Report be accepted, and that the same be recommitted to Mr Walter to carry into effect.—

Voted, That Messrs Walter & Whitman be a Committee to apply to the Selectmen for any Records of Tombs or any Plans of the Burying grounds that they can furnish this Board with, to be kept in this Office.—

Voted, That John Low & Ebenezer Clapham two of the Undertakers be summoned to attend the Meeting of this Board on Monday Sept.— to answer to such questions as may be asked by the Board.—

Mr Whitman a Superintendant

Voted, That Benjamin Whitman, Esq.r be appointed to execute all the Law business of this Board.—

Voted, That Benjamin Parsons, Esq.r the former agent of this Board be requested to render to this

July 19 1810 Board an Account of his proceedings as their agent and that he transmit to Benjamin Whitman Esq^r their present agent all Accounts papers & Documents in his hands belonging to this Board.—

Voted, That Benjamin Whitman, Esq^r the agent of this Board proceed to adjust & collect all Accounts and demands of this Board unsettled.—

Voted, That Messrs Lee, Whitman & Walker be a Committee to Examine the Stables in Atkinson & Milk Streets

Report by extracts of

Voted, That Mr Whitman be a Committee to ascertain the cost of printing the Laws of the Board of Health.

Adjourned to Monday next

July 23 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President

Messrs Ellis	Tucker
Boardman	Whitman
Walker	Rich^d D Tucker
Sumner	Chamberlain & Lore

Mr Walker Chairman of the Committee on the Drains ordered, viz Dyer's-House square, stated the Nature of the business to the Board, whereupon it was.—

Voted, That the Secretary of this Board be directed to notify the President of the Mill Dam Corporation, and their Agent, John Peck, that the Board of Health will on Monday next at half past four o'clock P. M. proceed to inspect the expences of a common sewer sunk

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in distill house square, to remove nuisance occasioned by the outlet of said sewers in said square being filled up by said Corporation; and that the said President and Agent may then and there appear and shew cause if any they have why the said expenses, or any part thereof, should not be assessed on said Corporation.—

The Committee to procure Books for record of Burials &c Reported progress.——

Voted, That the Committee appointed to apply to the Selectmen for Records of Tombs &c have further time.—

Voted, That a new Order be given Mr Joseph Adams to remove the contents of his Vault in Center street and Make the Vault conformable to law within five days.——

Voted, The Committee to examine the Stables in Mid and Atkinson streets kept by have further time

Voted, The Committee appointed to collect and inquire the Cost of Printing the Digest of the Laws of the Board of Health have further time

Voted, That ..... the Subject of laying out a new Ran of Tombs in the Granary Burying ground, be referred to the Superintending Committee of the ground

Voted, That Messrs Whitman & Maj Russell be a Committee to Draw up a set of Instructions for the Superintendant.

On Motion voted that the sense of the Board be taken whether the Striking the "funeral thoughts" or any other tune on the bells, on the passing of a funeral to the Tombs or grave be a breach of the Regulations of this Board as Respects funerals. Be taken by Yeas & Nays. Yeas Messrs Ellis. Boardman. Tucker. Chamberlain & Fox. Nays Messrs Walter. Sumner & Whitman.

Adjourned to Monday Next

July 30, 1810. At a Meeting of the Board of Health, this day

Present Benjamin Russell, Esq.r President.

Messrs Ellis,
Boardman,
Cook,
Walter,
Sumner,
Tucker,
Lee,
Whitmarsh,
Chamberlain,
Gore.

The Committee appointed to procure the books for recording Burials &c Reported that the books where procured and now binding.

The Committee appointed to procure Records of Tombs &c of the Selectmen Reported, that they had not yet seen the Selectmen. Requested further time.

Voted, That the Committee have further time.

Voted, That the Messengers of the Board, be directed to inform the Keepers of Publick Stables, that the washing of Carriages in the Streets is Contrary to Law; That if they persist in the practise they may expect to be prosecuted. — Without further Notice.

Mr Boardman Member from Ward No 3 Reported that Mr Joseph Adams was proceeding in the business of his Vault agreeably to the last order of the board.

Voted, to accept the report of Mr Boardman.

Voted, to reconsider the vote passed at the last meeting respecting the playing on the bells the funeral hour, that the subject be open for debate

The Committee on the Middle District Burying Ground Report. That they have examined the said Grounds and so far as respects the application of Mr Sullivan think it advisable to allow him to build or enlarge a Tomb on the North Westerly side of the Bellingham

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he contributing to the expence of a Wall on the West side of the Primary Ground. but that it will not be advisable to allow any New Tombs in the Ground except adjacent to the Fences & on grounds next to the Fence. ——— Voted to accept the report

Mess. Tuckor Lee & Gore Committee

Voted, That a Committee be appointed to make inquiry & report the propriety of a Quarantine being laid on Vessels from ports from which a Quarantine is not already required

Voted, That the Schooner United states Jeremiah Varmum master from Savannah be required to perform the same quarantine as is enforced on Vessels from within the Tropics

The Committee appointed to collate and digest the laws, rules and regulations relating to the Office of the Board of Health and prepare an estimate of the expense of printing the same in a pamphlet form, for the use of the members of the Board ask leave to report. ——— That, the first law creating the Board of Health, now in force, was enacted June 20th 1799 and is entitled "an act to empower the Town of Boston to Chuse a Board of Health and for removing & preventing Nuisances. and may be printed on 10 Octavo pages. —— The same act respecting said Board of Health was enacted, June 18th 1803, and is entitled "an act in addition to an act entitled "an act to empower the Town of Boston to choose a Board of Health and for removing and preventing Nuisance" and may be printed in two Octavo pages ——

Mr Whitman Committee to digest the laws and regulations of the Board

Second

The third act respecting said Board of Health, was enacted March 7th 1804 an act to repeal a part of an act Entitled and is entitled "an act to empower the Town of Boston to choose a Board of Health and for removing and preventing Nuisances, and for making further additions thereto; and may be printed on one Octavo page. The fourth act respecting said Board of Health, was enacted Feb 3d 1806

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and is entitled "an act to enable the Members of the Board of Health in the Town of Boston and the Clerks in the several Wards in said Town, to perform their Official duties in the wards Established in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and five" and may be printed on One Octavo page — The fifth Act respecting said Board of Health, was enacted, June 16. 1809 and is entitled "an act in further addition to an act, intitled an act to intitle the Town of Boston to choose a Board of Health and for removing and preventing Nuisences" And may be printed on One Octavo page. — The sixth Act respecting said Board of Health was enacted March 6th 1810. and is entitled "an Act in further addition to an Act entitled "an Act to empower the Town of Boston to choose a Board of Health, and for preventing and removing Nuisances" and may be printed on One Octavo page. — Also

There is an Act respecting the said Board of Health enacted June 22 1797. And is entitled "an Act to prevent the Spreading of Contagious Sickness" and may be printed on Eight Octavo pages —

The aforesaid Committee further report that it would be expedient for this Board to cause the aforesaid Laws to be printed in a pamphlet form; of Octavo pages, to which there should be added all the rules by laws and Ordinances of this Board now in force together with the internal. Quarantine and funeral regulations of this Board, the whole of which, Except the aforesaid Laws, may be printed on fifteen Octavo pages Making in all, the printing to consist of 39 Octavo pages and will cost each pamphlet and that one hundred of said pamphlets be immediately printed for the use of this Board, all which is submitted — Benjamin Whitman

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Voted, to accept the Report of the Committee.—

Voted, That the President be a Committee to carry the same into effect.—

Voted That a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer in favour of John Rayner for one Hundred dollars on Account of the Funeral Cars

The following persons bills having been Examined by the Committee on Accounts and passed, It was Voted that the Treasurer of the Board pay the same viz.

Edward Harris bill of 16th May 1810	$	64	56
Nath[l] Greenough bill of Do Do Do		16	10
Walter Welsh bill of Do Do Do		21	40
Joseph Saunders's Do Do Do		7	50
Hugh R. Kendalls Do Do Do		5	22
Smith & Callens Do Do Do		2	0
Aaron Kingsbury Do Do Do		1	0
	$	117	80

The following bill having been Examined & passed it was Voted, That the President give a Draft on the Town Treas. for the payment viz —

Zephaniah Simpson's for building a Brick Vault in the North Burying ground as per bill 2d June 1810	$	135	00
David Darling for his bill of 4th April 1810 for Cleaning N Church		1	50
Russell & Cutlers bill to June 11th for printing &c		156	00
Dorritt & Fairbanks's bill of 1st May 1810 for Carts Harness &c		96	00
John Edmes for his bill to 12th May & 5 June for Nails &c		9	75
Mo & Pratts for his of 23 May for Labor at North burying ground		26	12
Benj[a] Barnes's bill of 23 May & 5 June for Lumber		15	62
Josiah Neasey's bill of 5 June for Smiths Work		7	71
Nath[l] Snelling's bill Shingles dat June 1810 for Car House		11	8
David Watsons bill of 9th July for Labor in N Bury[g] ground		37	33
Jonah Snellings bill to 28th July for Sundays for Ditto		20	3
To John Rayner on Account of funeral Cars		100	0
	$	625	44

Voted, That the further consideration of the Petition of the Selectmen &c

July 30th be postponed till the Ist Monday
1810 — Voted, That a Committee Consisting of the whole Board, Mr Whitman being requested to be the Chairman attend the Town
meeting on Wednesday next. The Committee appointed to remove Nuisance from Cellar
under in Tyler Hous square Reported, the cost of the Common Sewer
for that purpose as per Adam Rupp's bill of 23 July 1810. to be
Two Hundred & Thirty Eight Dollars & 50 Cents —

Voted, That the Amount of Adam Rupp's bill for digging
laying Stone & materials for 318 feet of Common Sewer &c. amounting to Two Hundred & Thirty Eight dollars & 50 cents, be
assessed on the Mill-pond Corporation, and that the President
of this Board Issue his Warrant to William Phillips Messenger
of the board to collect the same. And if not paid by the said
Corporation in Thirty days the assessment be delivered Mr Whitman
for collection —

Voted, That the Treasurer of this Board be requested to
borrow on the Credit of this Board Seven Hundred Dollars
for the use of the Town to pay their Scavengers.
Voted, That the President have leave of Absence for 10 or 12 Days

Adjourned to Monday Next

Agreeably to the above Vote the President Issued his Warrant
to warn the President & Mill Pond Corporation for Two
Hundred & Thirty Eight dollars & 50 Cents for the above Common Sewer
The President also then Drew agreeable to the above Vote Drew
on the Town Treasurer in favour of the following Persons viz

				$	¢
In favour of	Zephaniah Sampson	for		35	00
" " "	David Lanfair	"		1	50
" " "	Russell & Cutler	"		150	00
" " "	Dorsett & Fairbanks	"		96	00
" " "	John Odin	"		7	50
" " "	Thomas B. Dodd	"		26	12
" " "	Benj[a] Barnes	"		15	65
" " "	Josiah Leavy	"		1	00
" " "	Nath[l] S. Snelling	"		11	16
" " "	David Watson	"		37	33
" " "	Josiah Snelling	"		29	34
" " "	John Rayner	"		100	00
			$	625	45

July 1st 1810 — At a Special Meeting of the Board of Health this Day — Present George J. Lee, Esq. President pro tem

Mess.rs Ellis, Boardman, Cook — Walter, Whitman, Chamberlain Jore

The town of Boston having been this day assembled to take into consideration the Rules & Regulations adopted by this Board for the regulation of funerals & it appearing to be the wish of the inhabitants that the same should be suspended for the present — Therefore Ordered That the rules and regulations of this board so far as they respect the Police of the burying grounds in this town & the Method of burying the dead be suspended for ten days from and after this date & until the further order of this Board —

Act of Suspension of Regulations of Funerals &c.

Voted, That Mess.rs Whitman Lee & Walter be a committee to frame a respectful letter to be communicated to the town expressive of the sentiments of the Board upon the subject of the police of the burying grounds & the method of burying the dead heretofore adopted & ordered by this Board —

Adjourned to August 2. at 9 A.M.

August 2 1810 — Agreeably to adjournment the Board met this Day — Present. George J. Lee Esq.r President pro tem

Mess.rs Ellis, Boardman, Cook, Walter, Sumner — Tucker, Whitman, Chamberlain, Jore —

Mess.rs Otis, Welles & Prince a committee appointed by the Town at the Meeting yesterday to take into consideration the rules & Orders of this Board adopted for the Police of the burying grounds & report what alterations they shall [illegible]

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expedient that the same might more effectually meet the wishes of the inhabitants, waited on the Board with certain propositions for their approbation, which was rejected — The Board being unanimously of opinion that the rules & Orders by them heretofore adopted after the most mature deliberation were superior thereto ——

Adjourned to 3 Aug^t 9 A.M.

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Agreeably to Adjournment the Board met at 9 Oclock A.M. Present George S. Lee Esq President pro. Tem ——

Mess^r Ellis	Sumner
Boardman	Tucker
Cook	Whitman
Waller	Chamberlain & Lee

The committee on funeral cars reported that all the Cars were completed & delivered to the Respective Superintendants together with their harnesses &c. The committee appointed to frame a letter addressed to the citizens of the town reported the following. ——

Health Office, Boston, 1 Aug^t 1810

Hon^ble Thomas Dawes Esq^r

Moderator of the meeting of the town of Boston.

Sir,

The Board of Health perceive with regret that the rules and regulations lately established by them for the public burying grounds and regulating funerals within this town have so far agitated the public mind as to have caused a town meeting on the subject, and many unpleasant observations made upon the manner in which they have been attempted to be carried into effect.

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The Board in the execution of the arduous duties assigned them have no object but a faithfull discharge thereof in a manner the most agreeable to the feelings & happiness of the citizens, and it will at all times be an object with them to gratify the wishes of their fellow townsmen by declining the execution of any power, which may be found contrary to their best interests.

They have therefore at a special Meeting this day unanimously passed an Order to suspend their regulations on that subject.

This measure they have adopted upon Mature reflection in the confident hope it might aid any committee the town may appoint at the present meeting in the free exercise of their authority to carry into effect such better and more advisable regulations for the decent interment of the dead as that committee may propose.

The Board beg leave thro' you Sir to express to their fellow citizens their readiness to cooperate individually in any regulations more practicable and convenient than those they have been enabled to devise after a long and painful investigation, and while they most seriously regret their fellow citizens should at this moment suffer any apprehensions from the authority vested in the Board for that special purpose by the Legislature & previously sanctioned by an unanimous vote of the town, they cannot forbear to express their entire conviction, that had they been permitted to pursue their regulations undeviatingly for the remainder of the year, the public sentiments would have been before that time, in perfect unison with them.

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and that with such slight alterations as might from time to time be found advisable, have at length adopted & daily practised an Municipal System for the decent Custom & burial of the dead that would have been honorable to the town —

It is a painfull task at all times to this Board to carry into effect their more ordinary & common duties, and it becomes doubly unpleasant when not supported in the execution of a duty, which at the request of their fellow citizens, they at first most unwillingly accepted; They shall therefore feel no reluctance in having those powers executed by others, with which they are now invested.

With perfect respect for their fellow citizens
& for you Sir in particular
I am in behalf of the Board
Your Obt Servant
George G. Lee Chairman

Voted, Unanimously, to accept the foregoing letter & that the chairman of the Board in Committee of the whole present the same to the Moderator of the adjourned town meeting to be held this day to be by him communicated to the town with a copy of the order of the Board passed the first instant suspending for 10 days from that date and until further order the rules & Regulations adopted for regulating funerals &c

Adjourned to 4 O'Clock P. M.

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August 2d 4 O'Clock P.M. Agreeably to Adjournment the Board met

Present George Lee Esq President pro tem

Mess Ellis, Boardman, Cook, Walter — Summer, Tucker, Whitman, Chamberlain, Lore

Voted, That the President pro tem be a committee to see that the copy of the letter presented to the town & also the proceedings of the town meeting, if published, be not mutilated & to correct all errors

Voted, That the Committee attending the building of tombs in the granary burying ground be requested to see the same forthwith completed

Adjourned to Monday Sept 2d

Monday August 6th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present George Lee, Esq President pro tem

Mess Ellis, Boardman, Cook — Summer, Whitman, Chamberlain & Lore

The Committee appointed to procure books for records of burials &c. not being present it was Voted the Committee have further time.

Voted, That the Committee to procure Records of Tombs from the Selectmen have further time.

Voted, That the Committee on Mr Joseph Adams's Vault have further time

Voted, That the Committee appointed to consider the Expediency of a Quarantine from ports then those from which a Quarantine is now required, have further time

August 6th 1810. Mr Walter Surveyor of Lumber in the District, have taken Andrew Masterson & Stonehouse having applyd for leave to go from Quarantine to Alexandria. It was Voted that his request cannot be complyd with

Voted, That the Letter & Regulations inclosed from the President of the Board of Health of Philadelphia be committed to Mr Russell, Whitman, Fore & to report on—

Voted, That the Letter & Pamphlet left with the Board for their consideration by Doct. Waterhouse be committed to Mess^rs Walter & Tucker to report on.—

Voted, That the Treasurer of this board pay M. Caleb Loring Superintendent of the Middle district twenty pounds, forty five dollars, on account, he to be accountable to the board for the same; Noted that Mr Whitman have leave of absence for ten days—

Adjourned to Monday Next.

August 13th 1810

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Ellis	Sumner
Boardman	Tucker
Cook	Chamberlain
Walter	Fore

Voted, That the Assessment of the Expence attending the Nuisance in Dimill House street or square, on the Mill Pond Corporation be referred to Arbitrators, to be appointed by a rule of the Supreme Court; That the Solicitor of this Board be instructed to make application for such rule and to defend the Assessment befor the Arbitrators: and that the Secretary communicate a Copy of this vote to the President of the Mill-Pond Corporation—

August 13th Voted, That the Communication from the Selectmen of the 13 Instant with an attested Copy of the proceedings of the Town of 3 Dec 1810 by the Town Clerk; with the whole of the Regulations respecting Burials & Burying grounds be committed to Messrs Russell, Lee & Gore To report on —

Communication from Selectmen Committed to Messrs Russell, Lee & Gore To which Mr Bennet & Mr Whitman was added 24th Current —

Voted, That when this Board adjourn they adjourn to Three o'Clock on Monday Next —

The Committee appointed to procure suitable books for recording deaths &c. Reported that they had executed that business; The Books were presented.

Voted to accept the Report —

The Committee on Mr Joseph Adams' Vault Reported, that Mr Adams had complyed with the Order of the Board

The Committee on the Communications from Philadelphia had further time granted them to Report.

The Committee on the Communication from Doctor Waterhouse Report, that they sent a Message to the Dr requesting an Interview with him at Mr Tucker's Town House which he very politely attended and heard of him the manner in which the Doctor wished to carry his plan of Vaccine Innocalation into full experiment in the Town by the Aid of this Board, but the Committee were of opinion that the Selectmen upon the Doctors request, aided by the Physicians of the Town, would be more competent & ready to such an Undertaking and at the same time assured the Doctor that this Board would readily concurr with the Selectmen in any Measure deemed practicable for so very useful and highly praiseworthy an Object —

Adjourn to 3. O'Clock Monday Next

August 20th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day. Present Benjamin Russell, Esq. President.

Mess.rs Binney, Ellis, Cook, Walter, Chamberlain, Sumner, Tucker, Lee, Whitman.

Voted, That the Committee who was appointed to take into consideration the Communication from the Selectmen with the whole of the Regulations respecting Burials & Burying grounds; have further time.

Voted, That the Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Philadelphia Board of Health, have further time.

Capt.n Binney & Mr. Whitman Com.e on Avory's Acc.t

Voted, That Capt Binney & Mr Whitman be a Committee to settle the demands of the heirs of the late John Avory Esq.r for rent of Flats as per bill, on file. That the committee Tender the Admin.st Mr Luke Baldwin Thirty dollars in full of their Account, and inform him the reasons why they cannot pay the whole bill, and in case he will not accept that sum then to leave it to Arbitrators

Draft to be Given Rupp Given 28th Aug.st

Voted, That Mr Adam Rupp's bill of 23 July last of Two hundred & Thirty Eight dollar 150/100. Expense of sinking a drain or Common Sewer in Dock Square Street to remove Nuisances from Cellars &c as passed by the Committee on Accounts be assumed by the Board and paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer.

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Voted, Unanimously That the Certificate of Messrs Dall & others, respecting a Nuisance in Pleasant Street on the land of Fore & others, be struck off the records of the Committee for the Week, as it is not certified by

August 26th by any Member of this Board.

1810 Voted, That Mr Whitman be a Committee to inquire into the facts of Capt Newall Holden's leaveing his Vessell in the light house channel & coming up to town & Report at the next Meeting

Voted, That Messrs Cook Walter & Ellis be a Committee to examine a Nuisance in Cellars of N 30 & 31 Cornhill and to determine what is necessary to be done.

Adjourned to Monday Sept

August 29th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this day

Present Benjamin Russell, Esqr President

Messrs Binney, Bourdman, Cook, Walter, Sumner | Tucker, Lee, Whitman, Gore, Chamberlain

Report The Committee appointed to settle with Mr Silas Baldwin the administrator on the Estate of the late John Avery Reported, That Mr Baldwin would not accept the tender of thirty dollar from the Board, but would leave the account to Arbitration.—

Voted, That the Board proceed to the Choice of an arbitrator to settle the disputed Accounts of the heirs of the late John Avery Esqr.—

Capt Rhoades Arbitrator on Avery Est for Flats the 31st Augt 1810

Voted That Capt Jacob Rhoades be appointed Arbitrator on the part of the Board to settle with Mr Baldwin the above mentioned Accounts.—

Voted, That the Certificate sent to the Board by William Hall, and others, respecting a Nuisance on Premises under the care Deacn William Brown & others in pleasant Alley be committed to Messrs Whitman, Walter & Sumner.

August 2d 1810. The Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Selectmen, &c. Reported,—

Voted, That the Report be recommitted to the Committee and that Messrs Binney & Whitman be added to the committee

The Committee Mr Whitman appointed to take into consideration the Conduct of Capt Sewell Holden of Brig Rivey, Pilot. Reported That Letters of the form annexed be sent by the Secretary of this Board to the Pilot of the Brig Louisa & to Capt Sewell Holden, after the blanks therein left shall have been filled up by direction of the Board all which is submitted. ——

To Capt Sewell Holden

Health Office, Boston, August 2d 1810.

Sir— You having forfeited the sum of five hundred dollars for having left your Vessel the Brig Louisa, Subject to Quarantine regulations, and proceeded to the town of Boston contrary to the regulations of the Board of Health and the Law in such Case made and provided, I am directed by the Board of Health to notify you that you appear before the Board at their office in Fanuil Hall on Monday the third day in September next, at 4 O'Clock in the afternoon, to shew cause, if any you have, why you should not be prosecuted by the Board for said forfeiture

By Order of the Board

N Greenough Clerk

To Capt Robert Rivey

Health Office Boston August 2d 1810

Sir

You having piloted the Brig Louisa into the harbour of Boston in a manner contrary to the regulations of the Board of Health and conducted in a Manner respecting the same, so as to incur a forfeiture of your Branch.

Sworn Pt as a Pilot and other penalties, as prescribed by Law —
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I am directed by the Board of Health to notify you that you appear before this Board at their office in Faneuil Hall on Monday the Third day of September next — at 4. o'Clock in the afternoon to shew Cause, if any you have, why you should not be prosecuted by said Board, for said Misconduct

by Order of the Board

North Bennett Sec'y

Voted, To accept the Report as now filed up in both cases, and that the Summons be sent immediately —

The Committee on the Nuisance in Cornhill, Report progress and ask further time

Voted That the Committee have further time —

The Petition of a great number of the inhabitants of West Boston respecting the Night Day Carts conveying Nuisance to the Wharf at the Bottom of Leverett Street, was read; on which it was, Voted That the Board in Committee of the whole will examine the premises complained of

Voted, That the Petition be committed to Messrs Sumner and Major Russell in particular.

Voted, That the visiting Physician Discharge the Sloop Amphibious in twenty four hours after the Owner has Advertised and offered a reward of twenty dollars for the Apprehension of John Crookham, who absconded from the Sloop Amphibious at Anchor on Quarantine ground near Rainsford Island the night of the 23. Instant.

Voted, That the Island Keeper be instructed by the Secretary to examine the Vessels on Quarantine for passing them quietly in the night between the hours of nine & ten on one night between this and Sunday Night next; particularly to know whether the Boats are on Deck or hoisted

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ulations in general are obey'd. and report.—

Voted, That the Committee on accounts take all the bills on the table and pass the same numerials altogether on one sheet.—

The Committee to whom was referred the care of the Central District Burying Ground Report, that it is expedient to furnish the several Owners of Tombs erected under the direction of this Board, with a Certificate in the form annexed & that recommend that the Secretary furnish the requisite Number of Copies as soon as may be to the Central Committee.—

Voted, That the Committee, Mess.rs Tucker Lee & Gore, appointed at their last July last to make inquiry and consider the propriety of a Quarantine being had on Vessels from Ports which a Quarantine is not already required. be requested to meet between this and Monday and make their Report at the Next Meeting.—

Adjourned to Monday next

September 3 1810

At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day, Present Benjamin Russell Esq.r President.

Mess.rs Ellis	Tucker
Boardman	Whitman
Cook	Chamberlain
Sumner	Gore

The Committee appointed to settle the account of the late John Avery Esq.r had further time.

The Committee, to whom was referred the Communi-

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of William Dall & others, under date of the 16 Ultimo. ask
leave to report.— That it would be proper, in their opin-
ion, that a respectfull Letter of the import of the one an-
nexed, should be signed by the Secretary of this Board
and by him forwarded to. Mr William Dall, the first
signer on said Communication. — — — —

Voted, That the report of the Committee, be accepted and
placed on file. —

Voted, That the Secretary, copy the Letter, above men-
tioned, and forward it to. Mr William Dall, the first signer
on said Communication. as soon as may bee.

The Committee on Nuisance in No 65 Cornhill, Report
progress, and had further time. —

The Committee appointed to make inquiry, of the
health, of Southern States, and ports, and the propriety
of a Quarantine being had on Vessels, — Have from
Report progress and ask for further time

Voted, That the Committee have further time, and
be requested to report at the next Meeting. —

Voted, That the Schooner Britania, Ezra Crowell,
from New Providence be discharged from Quarantine.

Captain Sewell Holden of the Brig Louisa & Mr Robert
Knox, Pilot. appeared at the Health Office, at 4 O'Clock
agreeably to the Order of the 27th August last. —

Captain Holden was Sworn. And then proper ques-
tions was put to him on his leaveing his Vessel and coming
up to town. Capt Holden assured the Board, that the
Brig Louisa, was Anchor'd two Miles without the light
House; and the reason of her not being carry'd into
Quarantine, was, that his Orders (sent) from his Owner

was

Sept 3 1810 for the Brig to go to New York, but that his Men would not go. That he did not consider the Vessel at Quarantine in her then Station. That Pilot informed him there would be no Difficulty in his coming up to town. That it was not his wish, or intention, to evade or break the Law, or regulations of the Board.

The President, then by direction of the Board, after expression to him the surprise and astonishment of the Board at his conduct, knowing as he did the Laws of the Land, That his coming from a Sickly Port, was a violation of all Quarantine Regulations &c. Informed him that the Board had Voted, That in consideration of the circumstances of his Vessel, his candid acknowledgement of the facts, and his Engaging not to do the like again, That he be screened from any prosecution. he paying the fine of Ten dollars to the Secretary. which was immediately paid

Mr Robert Knox, was then examined, on the subject of this Man Sullivans conduct, respecting the Brig Louisa Capt Holden. Mr Knox then declared to the Board that it was not for want of Respect to the Board, or any intentions to violate any of their Regulations, But in consequence of his Man Sullivan. and promised to prevent in future any thing of the kind taking place, That if any of his Men should do the like he would discharge them. on which he was dismissed. —

Voted, That the Committee heretofore appointed on the subject of the Nuisance in Distil House square and the Drains for the purpose of removing said Nuisance, be Directed to proceed to asses the Expences of removing said Nuisance on the several persons on whose Tenements

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the same were found. And that the President issue his Warrent to the Messenger of this Board to collect the same of them accordingly. And that all other Votes heretofore passed by the Board inconsistant or contrary to this Vote, be, & the same are hereby declared void.

Voted, That the Communication from Doctor Welch respecting the Conduct of Capt[n] Ezra Crowell be referred to Mr Gore

Voted, That the communication from Capt[n] Birney to Mr Snelling superintendant of the North Burying Ground and by him to the Board, be committed to Mess[rs] Whitm[n] & Russell

The Committee to whom was refered the petition and Memorial of Andrew Townsend and others, Report; That the Communication be transmitted to the Board of Selectmen of the town, by Mess[rs] Sumner and Russell, with a request that they would take measures to furnish a site for a Wharf, from which the Town Carts may be emptied

Voted, That the proceedings of the Committee to whom were refered the Communication of the Selectmen be recorded, and a Copy thereof be handed to the Selectmen, to be communicated to the town, in the Manner they think best.

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The President laid before the Board an attested copy of Sunday Resolutions adopted by the Town, at a Meeting held the 3[d] instant. on the subject of the Police of the Burying Grounds transmitted by the

Sept^r 3^d 1810 Town Clerk I marked A.] and also a communication from the Board of Selectmen on the same subject. I marked B.]

The same having been read and considered, Ordered, That they be referred to the President, Mr Jeremiah Fore Geo: G Lee Esq^r Capt^n Simon Binney and Benjamin Whitman Esq^r to consider and report thereon, and on the subject generally to which they relate.

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The Committee to whom was referred the Resolutions of the town, and a communication from the Board of Selectmen, on the subject of the Police of the Burying Grounds, Reported, which report was considered, and accepted. Whereon the Board adopted the following proceedings viz

The Board of Health, after having considered the Report of their Committee, on the subject, think proper to state:

That the Rules and Regulations of this Board passed on the 7^th day of May 1810. I marked C.] were adopted in obedience to an unanimous vote of the Town made in consequence of repeated complaints of the inhabitants on the subject; and were further authorized by a special Law of the Commonwealth. I. Marked D.]

That the said Rules and Regulations were not adopted nor put into operation until after many months deliberation and inquiry: repeated publications and many alterations and amendments suggested by their fellow citizens.

That the Rules and Regulations thus deliberately made, were [illegible] by the Board to form an uniform

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and intire System, A System well calculated, if executed with the promptitude which the Health Laws are usually executed, and their efficacy allowed to be tested by experience, to remove those loud and numerous complaints so frequently made to the town of the dilapidated and crowded condition of the several Burying Grounds, and the gross misconduct therein of the persons employed in the interment of the dead: — A System intended to introduce Economy, Responsibility, and Decency in those interments; — to render unnecessary the great expense which the town was called upon to incur to procure new Burying Grounds; to furnish materials for a correct Record of all the interments in the town; and the publication, from an official source, of periodical Bills of Mortality: — And —

That this Board have considered and do now consider the several parts of this System to be so connected, as that any essential infraction of it would unavoidably render the whole intirely inadequate to the great Objects contemplated in its execution. —

The Board further state, That on the 12th Aug^t they were furnished with the proceedings of the Town and Board of Selectmen, before stated, and [illegible] marked A and B.J. by which the Town, in adopting a Report of a Committee on the subject, "discontinued the Granary and Chaple Burying Grounds," in which the System of the Board was in operation "as common Burying Grounds, and directed that the Public Vault erected therein by a vote of the town, for the reception of Bones should be appropriated for a temporary deposit of dead bodies to be removed there from after this temporary interment: — At the same time, the Board were notified by the Selectmen, that they had made

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choice of a piece of land on the Neck, fronting on Washington Street, for a new Burying Ground. ——

That on the assembly of the Town meeting on 1st August, and the appointment of a respectable Committee on the subject of Interment System, the Board met the wishes of the town, (as they sincerely would have any complaints had they been made to them) and immediately ordered; that the Rules and Regulations of the Board, so far as they respected the police of the Burying Grounds and the method of burying the dead. be suspended until the further Order of the Board, This was done thus promptly that the committee should have no impediment to the full execution of their commission; and at the same time the Board expressed their sentiments on the subject to the town, in a letter † marked E.T. communicated to their fellow citizens through the Moderator of the meeting. ——

Such is a candid statement of the facts which have arisen on the subject before the Board. And after the most delibrate consideration of them and with all due deference to the superior wisdom and knowledge of the respectable Committee which reported on the subject, the Board of Health are established in the opinion, That they cannot execute the Votes of the Town adopted on the 3. instant without so essentially impairing the Interment System, as to render it not only inadequate to the ends designed and contemplated by the Town when it invested the Board with this new duty: but extremely injurious and even hazardous to the Health of their fellow Townsmen. ——

The Board are thus explicit in stating their opinion, in the full belief that the good sense and

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feelings of their fellow citizens would lead them to examine dispassionately their system, in all its parts, and that the result of such examination will be their full approbation of it. But as things are now situated the Board feel it to be a duty they owe to themselves, and their fellow Townsmen to decline for the present, to resume the Powers to regulate the Interment of the Dead, entrusted to them by the unanimous request of the Town, in Town Meeting: and imposed on them by the Law of the Land: —

Powers which they attempted to execute agreeably to that request, and within the limits of that Law: And they thus declare the fact, that the town may have opportunity further to contemplate the subject. and the light the Board have endeavored to throw upon it: And that application may be made at the ensuing Session of the General Court, for the repeal of the Law which invests this Power in the Board, and that this truly irksome duty may be transferred to persons more intelligent. and who will execute it in a manner less prompt but more agreeable to the wishes of their fellow citizens. —

Though thus declining to execute a duty never desired, the Board assure their fellow citizens that they shall not remit the usual exertions of their primary authority, to prevent any injury to the Health of the inhabitants which may arise from the deviations from their interment system, which the late vote of the town has been construed

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to authorize persons employed in the interment of the dead, to make). ——

The Board respectfully request the Gentlemen selectmen to make known to the town the Statement now made, and the determination adopted, in such way and manner as they shall think proper, assuring them of their most perfect respect for them individually and collectively: and of the high consideration in which they shall always hold the wishes, sentiments, and happiness of their fellow townsmen. ——

Ordered, That the President communicate a copy of these proceedings to the Board of Selectmen as soon as may be ——

Voted, That the Secretary Notify all the Members of the Board, that are on Committees, to meet at this Office on Thursdays, at half past 3. Oclock

Adjourned ——

Sept 16 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day. Present Benjamin Russell Esq. President

Messrs Binney, Ellis, Boardman, Cook } { Walter, Skinner, Whitman, Chamberlain & Gore

The Committee on the Nuisance in Cornhill. Report progress, and ask for further time.

Voted

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Voted, That the Committee have further time —

The Committee on communication of Doct Tho^s Welsh on the indecorous Conduct of Capt Ezra Crowell of the Schooner Britannia while on Quarantine Report.

That Dr Welsh verry Spiritedly and correctly enforced the Regulations of this Board, by ordering Capt Crowell on Board of his Vessel as a disturber of the Peace of the Island, — His conduct afterwards being correct. Your Committee think it not expedient that any further proceedings be had on the subject. —

Voted, That Mess^rs Waller & Chamberlain, be a Committee with Mr Tucker the Member of Ward No 1 to examine a Nuisance in said Ward, near Mr Kilham's House School Street —

The Committee appointed to communicate the Petition and Memorial of Andrew Sowns and others, To the Selectmen, Report they have completed the duty assigned them —

Voted, That Mess^rs Birney, Ellis & Boardman, be a committee to Examine into the Subject of Complaint, made by William Boardman on Land near Copps Hill. and the Easterly Mill pond water near Doct Baldwin's Meeting House on Land belonging to the Proprietors of the Mill-pond by the Members of Ward No 3 —

Voted, That the Accounts and bills for building the Funeral Cars, be committed to Mess^rs Sumner, Birney, Cook, Rufull & Ford, The Committee appointed building the same —

Voted, That, The Accounts & bills for building Hearses & Hearse Cloths be committed to Mess^rs Tucker & Wallet, the Superintending Committee of the Middle District.

Sept 10th 1810 Voted, That the Constables bills be referred to Messrs Cook & Boardman, for Examination &c ——

Voted, That Mess.rs Walter, Binney & Bass, be a committee to report on the propriety of a general, visit to the Island this season ——

Quarantine Ordered —— Ordered, That a Quarantine be performed, by all Vessels, coming within this port, from any port or place, to the Southward of Teracock Bar, and being within the United States, or the Territories thereof. To take place on and after the 11th Instant and to Continue until the further Order of this Board. ——

Adjourned to Monday Next 4. O'Clock

Sept.r 17th At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day. Present Benjamin Russell Esq.r President

Mess.rs Boardman, Cook, Walter — } Sore { Sumner, Whitman, Chamberlain

The Committee appointed to remove the Nuisance from No. 130 & 81 Cornhill Report. they have completed the business assigned them, and beg leave to present the bills for the same viz. Adam Rupp's for Twenty Eight Dollars 50/100. and Jeremiah Bridges for Twelve Dollars amounting together to forty dollars 50/100 & Request that the Amount may be assessed on Mr.s Jonathan Harris and Lea & John Simpkins. all which is submitted.

Voted, That the Report be accepted. and ——

Ordered, That to defray the Expense arising from

Sept 1st 9th the removal of Nuisance in the Cellars on Cornhill

1810 No 80 & 81 by opening & clearing the Drain & Common sewer which cost as follows viz

Adam Bishop's bill for Opening, clearing and Cover
34 feet of drain at 75 cents ₰ foot $25.50
2 Load of Gravel " 100 ——— 2 "
Carting away 2 Load of dirt & filth 1 "
28.50

Jeremiah Bridge's bill for
4 Men to Clean the Cellars a 150 Cts 6 "
2 Carts to remove the filth ——— 6 "
$40,50

That the Amount be Assessed one half on
Mr Jonathan Harris viz ——— $20.25
and one Half on Dea John Simpkins 20.25 $40.50

Voted That the President Issue his Warrent
to William Phillips Messenger of the Board to collect the Sam.

The Committee on the Nuisance in School Street, Report
the business to be in train and ask for further time.

Voted, That the Committee have further time.

The Committee appointed to examine into the Sub-
ject of Complaint made by William Boardman Esq on Land
Near Copps Hill, having attended to the business. examin
ned the premises. & duly considered the matter. Report.
facts & opinion.

1st Copps Hill was a very high eminence and the rain
waters falling thereon naturally ran Southeastwardly
towards Snowhill Street, or Northwestwardly towards
Lynn Street ———

2nd Immediately Southwest of the vacant Lands of said
eminence. and between that & Prince St a Number of Hou
se Lots were located & built upon, and the owners and

Sept[r] 8th occupants never were injured in their estates by the waste water from said Hill untill the commencement of the operations carrying on by Henry Newman in digging down said Hill—

3 Within three or four years said Newman as proprietor of said vacant Lands, has dug down said hill, making a large cavity, East northeast of the lot owned by said Boardman, which serves as a reservoir of most of the rain water falling upon said hill—

4th This reservoir when flowed by large rains has broken through and over flowed the Lot of Mr Boardman filling up his well & vault to his great injury—

5th Notwithstanding the above your committee found at the present no Stagnant waters or any other nuisance cognizable by the Board of Health but the Land around this place were perfectly sweet & healthy

They therefore are of opinion that there is not cause for the interferance of this Board, at present, and would recommend said Boardman to clain out the waste water from the Lands of said Newman or prosecute him at common Law for the Damages sustained, at his option

which is submitted

Voted, to accept the above Report. J. Binney Jr Order

The same committee having the complaint of Stagnant water on Land of the Mill Pond corporation referred to them having examined into the subject Report. That immediately west of the Rev Doc[r] Baldwins meeting house there exists a nuisance of considerable magnitude occasioned by stagnant water on the premises. This nuisance cannot be

Sept 25th removed, but by filling up the reservoir in question
1810

Your committee have issued Notifications to Ebenezer Oliver Esq the President and John Peck the agent of said Mill Pond corporation, to cause said nuisance to be removed within six days

all which is submitted

A. Binney Jr Order

The Member from Ward 8th Reported, that the time allo for the removal of the above Mentioned Nuisance, had expi red, and that nothing had been done to remove the Nuis ance, On which it was Voted, That the Solicitor of this Board, Send a bill to the Proprietors of the Land, the Mill-Pond Corporation, on which the Nuisance exists for the fine for not removing the cause of Complaint,

The Committee, on the Accounts of the Funeral Cars, not being ready to report Had further time given them.

Voted, That the Secretary Notify the Committee on Accounts to meet at this Office on Wednesday Next at 11 O'Clock

Voted That the President be added to the Committee

Report of Committee on a Visit to Rainsford Island

The Committee, to whom was referred the propriety of Visiting Rainsford Island, this season, beg leave to Report.

That since the Establishment of this Board it has been their Custom to have an Annual Public Dinner at Rainsford Island, at which all the Municipal Offi cers of the Town & Strangers of Distinction have been uniformly invited, That in no Case has this public Dinner been omitted except in the Year 1809 when the Embargo & other Restrictions upon Commerce seem ed to justify this Board in declining so pleasant an Entertainment at the Public Expence

That similar Reasons not operating this year

Sept 17th 1810. The Committee would have recommended the again giving a public Dinner at the Island, especially considering the more than ordinary Duties this board has had to perform this season, but a very cogent reason seems to induce the Committee to recommend further suspension for this year also of the annual visit. It is not unknown that in consequence of this Board, in conformity to a Vote of the Town of Boston, sanctioned by Legislative authority, taken upon them the Care of the Burial Grounds &c the regulation of Funerals, incurred a heavy expence in building Cars, Public Vaults &c. which having become for the present almost useless, from causes which this board do not concurr in adopting, which are here unnecessary to be repeated. and anxious at all times to prevent an accumulation of Town Debt they would recommend, that this Board pass a Vote not to proceed to visit Rainsford Island this year agreeable to the Custom before adopted. — leaving to their fellow Citizens to determine how far this Board in their Endeavours for the public good, have deserved well of their Constituents. —

All which is submitted,

Lynde Walter,

By Order of Com.

Voted, That the Report be accepted —

Voted, That the report of the Yellow Fever being at the City of Elizabeth, Pasquotank county, N. Carolina. be committed to Committee for the Week —

Adjourned to Monday next 4. o'Clock

Sept^r 7th. 1810

At a Meeting of the Board of Health,

This Day. Present Ben^j Russell Esq. President

Mess^rs Ellis
Boardman
Cook

Sumner
Whitman
Chamberlain
Fore

The Committee appointed to Examine the Vault belonging to the Estates of Doctor Saltonstall & John Davis Esq^r near the Latin School in School Street, have attended that duty & are of Opinion that the said Vault Ought to be intirely Emptied & Cleans'd as there appears to be a defect in the Vault on the back side, the same ought to be filled up with Clean Dirt & another Vault Made; or the same Contracted & Boxed, in order that the said Vault shall be according to Law, Viz^t. Two feet from their Neighbours Land. & have Ordered the same done accordingly

Rich^d D. Tucker
Rich^d Chamberlain, } Comm^e

Voted, That the Report be accepted, & that the Comm^e &c, see the Cause of Complaint Completely removed.

Voted, Unanimously, That the Solicitor of this Board Immediately Commence a Prosecution Against the Mill-Pond Corporation for a Fine, for Nuisance on their Land near Doct^r Baldwins Meeting House. ——

The Committee, on the Bills & Accounts for the Funeral Cases, not being ready to report, ask for further time. ——

Voted, The Committee have further time

Mr. Fore of the Committee for the last Week; to whom was referred the report of the Yellow fever being at

the

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that it was provided for by the Quarantine laid on Vessels from the Southward the 11th Instant —

Voted, That Mess^rs Russell, Whitman & Gore, be a committee to confer with the Selectmen agreeably to their request of 20th Instant —

Voted, That Mess^rs Boardman & Cook be a committee to examine a Nuisance on the land of the Mill Pond Corporation, near the Rev^d Doct^r Baldwins Meeting House. —

Mr Whitman Solicitor of this Board, appointed to adjust and collect all Accounts & Demands of this board unsettled, presented a Statement of Mr Benjamin Parsons of the business of the Boards in his hands; & a file of reports

Voted, That the Treasurer of this Board call on Mr Parsons for the sums collected agreeable to his Statement

Adjourned to Monday next

Sept^r 27th 1810 At a Special Meeting of the Board of Health this Day. Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President.

Mess^rs Boardman, Cook, Walter, Sumner

Mess^rs Tucker, Whitman, Chamberlain, Gore

On Motion, the Board resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr Gore in the chair, on the subject of the report of the committee of Conference with the Board of Selectmen, and the subject of the Funeral Regulations generally: and after some time spent therein the committee rose, and reported the following Resolution viz —

Sumner

Sept^r 29^th 1810 Resolved, That the Funeral Regulations of the Board of Health of the 7^th May last be referred to a committee to alter the same, and make them conformable to the ~~state of the law &~~ existing votes of the town; and that the committee be instructed to report thereon at the adjournment of the Board; and that the further consideration of the subject be referred to that time.

The Board then took up the report of the committee of the whole.

On motion Voted, that the same be accepted and that the President, Mr Whitman and Mr Gore be the committee.

Voted, that when this Board adjourn they adjourn to the next Sabbath, then to meet at 6. O'Clock in the evening. —

Voted, That the Secretary of the Board particularly notify the Members now absent, of the subject of the Meeting and that the Messenger deliver the Notifications to the Members of the Board themselves —

Adjourned to Sabbath evening Next 6. O'Clock —

Sept^r 30 1810 Agreeable to adjournment the Board met

Mr Jeremiah Gore Jun President pro tem

Mr Ellis	Tucker
Boardman	Whitman
Walter	Chamberlain
Sumner	

The committee to whom was referred the Regulation

Sept 30. Ordered. That the Funerals Burying Grounds of the 5 May last to alter the same, and make them conformable to the existing Orders of the Town Reported. which Report was read & after some debate it was —

Voted, That the further Consideration of the Subject be referred to the next Meeting of the Board. — and that in the meantime thirty Copys of the Report be printed for the use of the Members

Voted, That the Secretary furnish each Member of the Board with two copys —

Voted, That when this Board adjourn they adjourn to Saturday Next, then to Meet at Six oClock P.M

Voted, That Messrs Snelling, Loring & Butterfield Superintendants of Burying Grounds, be directed to attend the Meeting of the Board —

Voted, That the Committee of the West Dischargd Mr. Edward Brooks, send down to Rainsford Island. when they are satisfied it may be done without endangering the Health of the Citizens

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Adjourned to Saturday Next 6. oClock P.M

At a Meeting of the Board of Health on the 7th August last, there was a Vote passed that Adam Kuppbill of 23 July last, should be paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer. —

Agreeably to the Vote above mentioned. the President gave Adam Kupps a Draft on the Treasurer for Five Hundred & Thirty Eight Dollars 50 Cents —

Feb^y 6^th 1810

At a Meeting of the Board of Health
this day, in Seperably to adjournment of 30^th Ultimo
Present Benjamin Russell Esq^r President

Mess^rs Ellis, Boardman, Cook, Walter } Sore { Tucker, Lee, Whitman, Chamberlain

On Motion: That the time laid on Mr^s Bathwood for not complying with the Notice of the Board of 6^th Nov^r 1809. (to pay her Assessment for the Common Sewer in Marlboro Street. be remitted.) It was Voted in the negative. ——

Capt Binney one of the Committee on the bills for the Tenements, being absent. it was Voted, That the committee have further time

The Committee on the Nuisance near the Rev^d Doct^r Baldwins Meeting House have attended to that duty and Report.

That there exists a Nuisance of considerable Magnitude, occasioned by stagnant Water on the premises. Which belongs to the Mill pond Corporation, which cannot be removed, but by filling up the reservoir with dirt or gravel ——

Your Committee have issued notifications, to Oliver Esq^r the President; and John Peck the agent of said Corporation to cause said nuisance to be removed within six days ——

Voted, That the Report be accepted, And that the Committee be directed to see the same executed

The Treasurer of this Board, who was directed to

Oct 6th 1810 Call on Benjamin Turnbull Esq' for the Money collected by him belonging to the Board, Reported, that Mr Parsons declined a settlement with him till the other Cases in Court were settled which he said would be next week —

The Committee to whom the Regulations of Burials were Referred, Reported, which report was laid on the table. —

It was then moved that the further consideration of them be postponed till the 11th day of April 1811. Which Motion, being put, it was Voted in the negative.

It was then moved That the report be taken up read, and acted upon by sections. —

Voted, That the Report of the committee be read & acted upon by sections. The Report having been gone through with.

Mr Whitman one of the above Committee asked leave of Absence for three or four Weeks —

Voted, That Mr Cook be appointed one of the Committee in the room of Mr Whitman excused from serving.

Voted, That the Report be recommitted to the Committee —

Voted, That when this Board adjourn they adjourn to three o'Clock on Monday next.

Adjourned accordingly —

Oct 8th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day

Present Benjamin Russell Esq' President

Mess Ellis, Boardman, Waller } { Shumner, Tucker, Chamberlain

The Committee on the accounts of the Funeral Cars

Oct[r] 8[th] 1810 Not being ready to report had further time given them

On the Motion being put that the fine imposed on the Hill pond Corporation for a Nuisance on their premises be remitted. It was Voted in the Negative.—

Voted, That the further consideration of the Funeral Regulations be taken in a New Draft be report[d] at the next meeting of the Board.—

Voted, That when this Board adjourn they adjourn to Thursday next. Then to meet at 3. O'Clock P[M]

Ordered, That to defray the Expence arising from the removal of Nuisance in the Street leading from Broad Street, to India Street, (below Mill Street)

The Broad Street Corporation be assessed the Amount of Messr[s] Bowman & Merians Bill for removing fifty six Load of Dirt & filth from said Street. Their premises viz

To carting from said Street
56 Load of dirt & filth at 12½ cts $7.00
To 88 Load of Gravel put on the said Street at 87½ cts 77.00
$84.00

And that the President of this Board, issue his Warrent to William Phillips Messenger of this Board to collect the same.—

Voted, That Messr[s] Skinner, Russell & Walter be a committee to report the proper time to visit Rainsford Island in Order to take of the Quarantine—

The Committee to whom was referred the proper time to visit Rainsford Island, Report[d] that Wednesday the 24 Instant be the day. And that the Board meet at this Office in the Morning at 8. O'Clock. Voted to accept the Report.

Voted, That Messr[s] Skinner, Ellis & Gore be the Committee to make the usual arrangements

Adjourned to Thursday next 3. O'Clock

Oct 8th 1810 The following persons bills having been examined and passed it was Voted That the same be paid by a Draft on the Town Treasurer viz

Moses Shaws bill	$5.00
Garret Perkins Do	3.00
Amos Lewis Do	4.00
Elisha Copeland Do	4.00
Thomas Stevenson Do	5.00
Josh Wallcutt Do	3.00
George Jackson Do	3.00
Benj B Loder Do	4.00
Henry Newman Do	60.00
	$91.00

Agreeably to the above the President Drew on the Town Treasurer in favour of the above Mentioned persons to the Amount of Ninety One dollars. ——

Oct 11th 1810 At a Meeting of the Board of Health this Day Present Benjamin Russell Esq President

Mess Binney, Ellis, Boardman, Cook —— } Walter, Tucker, Chamberlain, Gore ——

Agreeably to the vote of the last meeting, the Board went into the consideration of the former Regulations as taken in a New Draft, and considered the same by sections. And having gone through the regulations it was Voted, That the reported Regulations as now Read and amended be accepted. And that the Committee be authorized to have a suitable number of Copys printed, for the use of the Inhabitants & Cause that the same be Published in the Papers Employed by the Board. ——

Voted, That Mr Josiah Snelling be appointed

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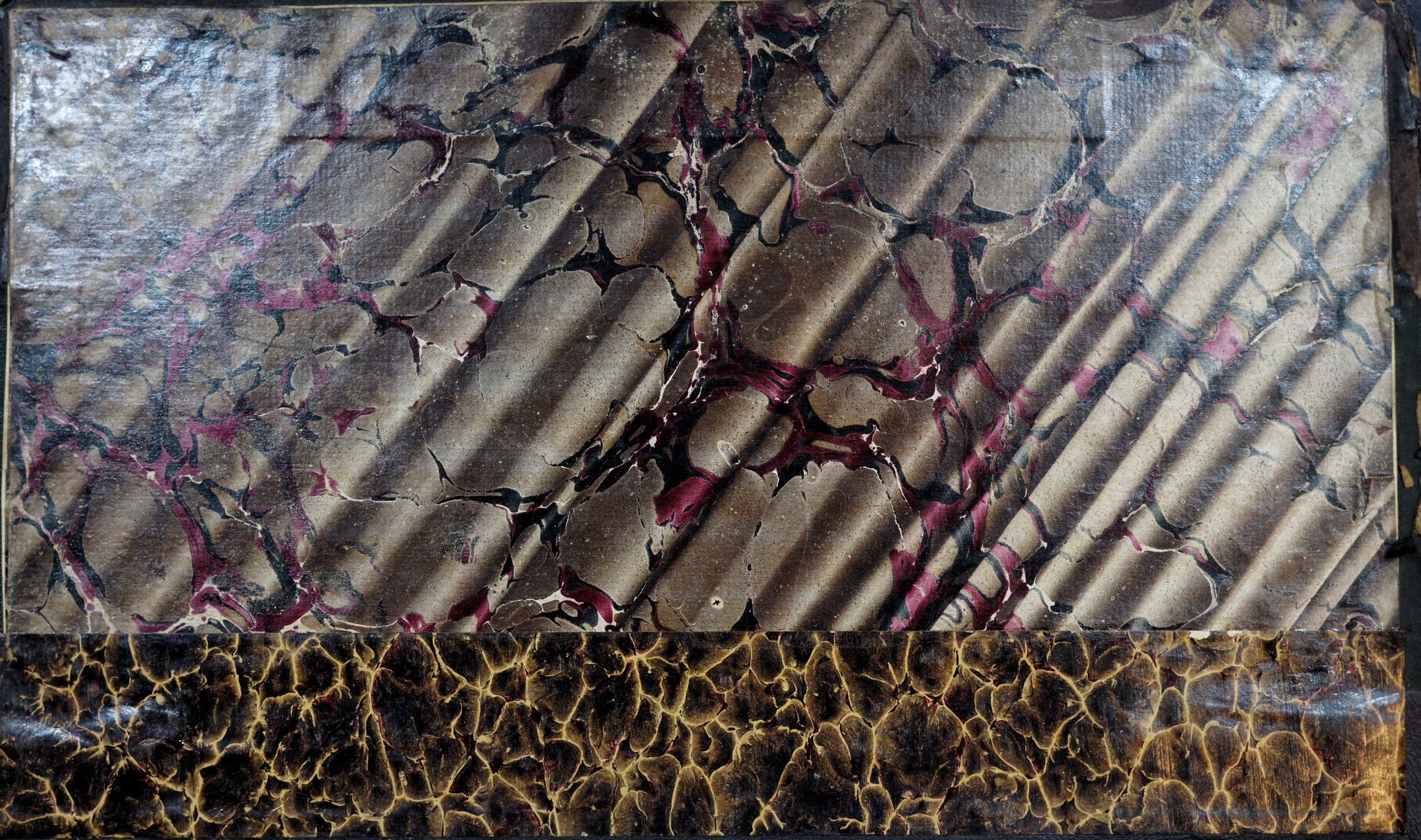
Superintendent of the North Burying-grounds & Christ Church Cemetary:—

Voted, That Maj. John Butterfield be appointed Superintendent of the Southern district, the Middle & South Burying grounds.—

Voted, That the Secretary of this Board advertise for a Superintendant for the Middle District Burying grounds & Cemeteries—— Applications to be made on or before Monday Nex the 15 Instant 1 O'Clock.
Also for Funeral Undertaker to apply as above.—

Adjourned to Monday Next.
3 O'Clock P.M.